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VDGY leaps by 2nd place in udience after ust 5 weeks

Mid-Continent Programming

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WDGY

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-CONTINENT BROADCASTING COMPANY President: Todd Storz

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WTVR OFFERS THE FINEST FACILITIES

IN THE RICHMOND AREA. NO OTHER STATION HAS

HIGHER ANTENNA FACILITIES AND CHANNEL 6, THE PREFERRED

FREQUENCY IS THE ONLY CHANNEL IN THIS AREA IN THE

LOW END OF THE VHF BAND, THUS WTVR ASSURES NO RECEPTION

PROBLEMS AS OTHERS ARE EXPERIENCING. YES,

OTHERS FROM WITHOUT ATTEMPTING TO COVER RICHMOND

HAVE THEIR PROBLEMS, BUT BIG WTVR HAS NO PROBLEMS.

WTVR ALWAYS GIVES A CLEAR SHARP PICTURE

WITH OR WITHOUT AN ANTENNA. SO BUY QUALITY BY BUYING THE FINEST

WTVR "THE SOUTH'S 1ST TV STATION"

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CHANNEL 6 RICHMOND, VA.

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First Stations of Virginia

A Service of HAVENS & MARTIN, INC.

WMBG AM REPRESENTED NATIONALLY BY THE BOLLING CO.

WIVE REPRESENTED NATIONALLY BY BLAIR TV. INC.





Marketing agency analyzed at ANA

Trend for advertising agencies to become "marketing agencies" was analyzed by Edwin W. Ebel, General Foods advertising v.p. and chairman ANA board of directors, at 47th ANA spring meeting last week in Hot Springs, Va. Crux of Ebel's viewpoint: Broadening of agency services should not "lessen our awareness of the opportunity to increase the effectiveness of advertising by better advertising." Ebel warned creative advertising is particularly essential today "when it takes something really great to register amidst the dulcet tones of sirens singing commercials or pitchmen barking them." (See SPONSOR series on "Advertising Agency in Transition," 28 November 1955 through 9 January 1956 issues.)

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Richard III breaks record

NBC TV's "Richard III, "eclipsed records as it turned up with audience of between 40 and 50 million Sunday, 11 March. Not only did Shakespeare classic gather reams of press, top Trendex (average 19.0 for 3 hours) but established itself as program witnessed by largest audience in history of daytime television, excluding special events such as World Series. NBC TV, which took long chance on bringing culture to living room, stands to do well financially if show is hit at B.O. under terms of distribution deal. Rights cost web \$500,000. GM paid \$425,000 for sponsorship, \$200,000 of which is time.

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Sales up or radio network

It won't go on record because PIB longer compiles network radio figures, but one of radio nets is showing <u>sales gains</u>. Last quarter '55, first quarter '56 well ahead same period previous years.

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NCS No. 2 enlarges its coverage

Switch in NBC attitude toward Nielsen Coverage Service No. 2, which resulted in web signing up after saying it wouldn't, is explained by Nielsen agreement to enlarge sample in fringe areas. About 50 additional NCS emphasis on getting data from fringe areas is feeling that value of small stations is presently obscured. Web spokesmen point out that although powerhouse video outlets may cover fringe areas, smaller outlets may actually attract more loyal viewing, hence, cover more homes in that area than big outlet.

-SR-

Groaner not so groany

Bing Crosby may have laid an egg as critics were concerned with "High Tor" on CBS TV ("He was embarrassingly awkward and inept, a dismaying quickie unworthy of his time and talent." Gould, N. Y. Times). But show did a good job in ratings department. Trendex gave him an average 27.2 for the hour and a half, one point above average for previous 6 "Ford Star Jubilee" shows, overshadowing offerings of NBC TV, ABC TV who came close only with Gobel and Lawrence Welk.

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RAB plans expansion

With its operating budget at an all-time high (\$780,000 as of 1 January, an increase of \$100,000 over previous year), RAB executive committee met last week to chart expansion plans. Topics discussed included budget allocations, realignment of executive personnel.

REPORT TO SPONSORS for 19 March 1956

Agency barter not in ANA air

Will 4A's consent decree open way to barter between clients and agencies on 15% commissions? Prevailing mood among advertisers at ANA meeting last week provided another indication answer is no. Consensus of panel discussion on consent decree was to effect that advertisers in general want to talk positively to agencies about services they wish from agency, not how to shave agency compensation. Closed-door session touched on question of commissions on network to package shows with panel member answering that high and low-profit media tend to balance one another out.

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Single client show in minority

Accelerating trend toward multiple sponsorship of net tv shows was illustrated in talk before ANA members by T. R. Shearer, A. C. Nielsen v.p. He pointed out percent of programs sponsored exclusively by one client dropped from 72% in spring 1953 to 38% in 1955. In stressing need to make careful programing decisions, he pointed out mortality rate of net programs during 1954-55 season was 53%. Not stipulated: how many of shows were dropped because of network rating competition, how many actually represented client dissatisfaction. (In time referred to few sponsors dropped out though shows were changing.)

—SR—

Admen to attend CARTB meeting

Novel twist being given to annual concvention of Canadian Association of Radio and Television Broadcasters to be held in Toronto beginning 26 March. Sessions are being arranged to permit advertising agencies and their clients to take active part in discussions.

-SR-

Are agencies on tv gravy train?

Growing minority of major tv advertisers are questioning agency commissions on tv package shows. Suggested revisions range from prorated commissions to fees for handling such shows to <u>free servicing</u> by agencies on basis of high time commissions. Most outspoken criticism is by Sylvania's ad director, Terry Cunningham. Cunningham makes charges, offers suggestions for eliminating package show commissions, trimming those of media as well. (For more on commissions, see story page 36 this issue.)

-SR-

Color study results soon

Results of initial study of NBC BBDO-sponsored "Colortown" project may be released "in a few weeks," according to Dr. Thomas Coffin of NBC research. Project closely parallels Cunningham & Walsh's "Videotown" survey and will measure impact of color tv on Eastern community. Sample size is 4,000 households. Coffin said first results "may be made public if we feel they are particularly useful and valuable" to color set manufacturers and or broadcasters. Project is continuing one to chart growth of color tv.

-SR-

Mistakes in ad research

Here are 5 mistakes air advertisers make in their approach to qualitative research, according to Schwerin: (1) Avoiding research they fear may give them answers they don't want to hear. (2) Using wrong measurements for answering key questions they face. (3) Discounting role of emotion and mood in affecting viewers. (4) Underrating sensitivity and perceptivity of public by unnecessary copy "hammering" practices. (5) Insufficient experimentation reflected by placing expensive campaigns on the air without pretesting theh with same thorougness that is commonplace inprint advertising.

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for an even

better

tomorrow



WGAL-TV

Lancaster, Penna.

NBC and CBS

On March 18, 1949, pioneering WGAL-TV telecast its first programs . . . thereby making it possible for those in its viewing area to enjoy television for the first time. During the seven eventful years which have followed, WGAL-TV has continued its pioneering . . . constantly improving its service and its programming . . . conscientiously filling the role of public servant for the many communities in the Channel 8 Multi-City Market. WGAL-TV enters its eighth year with a determination to continue pioneering . . . firmly resolved to give the best television service possible to its viewers and the many communities in which they live.

STEINMAN STATION Clair McCollough, Pres.



ARTICLES

Should show costs outweigh commercials 20 to 1? Article, based on a SPONSOR survey, poses question: Can most beneficial results be obtained when vehicle rather than message dominates spending policy? 29 Admen provide strong reasons for their pro and con answers Spot radio is "yum, yum, yummy" for Contadina Contadina Tomato Paste had a No. 1 brand shelf position, an almost noncompetitive advertising situation and large-scale distribution was more than **32** six months away. Why did it embark on a \$400,000 radio campaign? Should agencies earn 15% on package shows? Why are some admen against 15% agency commission on package shows? 34 Second and final article on question gives views of those who say "no Agencies are riding a gravy train Here are some hard-hitting comments on show commissions from one adman 36 who feels that time commissions, too, should be scaled down to service What buyers want to know about new MBS plan Timebuyers were perking up questions about MBS' guaranteed cost per-1,000 plan; so SPONSOR got Mutual to serve up answers on subject 38 How to give 'em itchy fingers for a phone book New York Telephone Company puts half its advertising budget into air media 40 in a drive to show new ways to use the classified directory Can you afford net tv on a \$450,000 budget? Yes, says Anson Jewelry, alternate-week sponsors of Stop the Music. Anson 42 shares the show, merchandises it to the hilt and has doubled sales

COMING

Will there be an allocation revolution?

SPONSOR will travel to Washington to find out how this complex matter will take shape in the near future. In detailing the situation, material will be simplified from the technical-political jargon to industry straight-talk

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An adman's look at film laboratories

Behind the technical terms and chemical formulas of this sister industry is a vital pool of information for agency men and advertisers

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Ask your Branham man for full details on KTHS— Arkansas' big radio value!

CBS Radio

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The Station KTHS daytime primary $(0.5\,\text{M\,V/\,M})$ area has a population of 1,002,758 people, of whom over 100,000 do not receive primary daytime service from any other radio station . . . Our interference-free daytime coverage area has a population of 3,372,433.

CASE HISTORY-FURNITURE



Furniture Chain Sells Southern California With Saturation Radio

McMahan's Furniture Company, pioneer Southern California chain, plunged into saturation radio with both feet in 1955. . . . and saw sales soar steadily as a reward.

Writes ad manager John Embry:

"Let me express a word of appreciation to KBIG for one of the biggest years in McMahan's history. The addition of saturation radio spots is about the only major thing we did in '55 dillerently from '54... and you will notice by our current schedule that we will be on KBIG even more in 1956. We find the KBIG audience responsive and of a stable income bracket for the purchase of home furnishings."

For 1956 McMahan's agency, Hunter, Willhite & De Santis of Long Beach, has scheduled 1800 KBIG spots—a third more than 1955. Personal appearances in a variety of McMahan stores again will be made by KBIG disc jockey and special events director Stu Wilson. The combination, says Embry, "really pays off in additional volume of business."

Huge, sprawling, rich Southern California can be reached best by radio . . . KBIG plus other stations if, like McMahan's, you want 100% dominance; KBIG alone, if you want greatest coverage at lowest cost. Ask any KBIG or Weed account executive.



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Nat. Rep. WEED and Company

Timebuyers at work



Robert Palmer, Mann, Conklin & Son, New York, advises small-budget radio advertisers against shotgun approaches to saturations. "I've recommended that a client stress the cumulative audience only on an over-all annual basis, but concentrate on a particular audience segment in his weekly scheduling," says Bob. "In other words, suppose you're buying participations. Pick a show that reaches say 3% of your audience and hit them over and over again. When sales reach a plateau and level off, you'll know that this audience segment is saturated; and that's the time to shift your schedule, to go after another small segment of the total audience. If you try to reach everyone with a small budget, you'll dilute your effort too much and accomplish less.



George Huelsen, Maxon, New York, says that the work for a timebuyer on a network tv show is often as extensive as in policing spot program schedules. "The account I'm working on has two network shows at the moment," he told SPONSOR. "The clearances are, of course, basically the network's job. But the agency continuously runs monthly track records (ARB) on every market, analyzes the ratings and if they're either below the national average or unsatisfactory because of the market's importance to us, we go back to the network and then the station to renegotiate. We'll probe into the competitive picture in that market, see whether a different time slot might not be more advantageous. The network and agency will also ask the station to do more local promotion."



Joan Rutman, Grey Advertising, New York, feels that good quality first-run feature films have become a top buy in daytime tv. "They're economical and reliable where ratings are concerned," says Joan. "The better features that have been running lately have built up an entire afternoon programing block to the point where a client can assume that housewives arrange their work around these features. In other words, they seem (judging from ratings) to clear a couple of hours of the afternoon for this type of highgrade programing. Such films have also spoiled them somewhat for the 1936-reruns that cluttered up the airwaves a year or more ago. Today, women viewers like quality in their daytime feature films, and such quality is available at costs sufficiently low to be competitive."

Love Lucy, CBS...Ed Sullivan Show, CBS...Mickey Mouse Club, ABC...Studio One, CBS...Super Circus, ABC...Lassie, CBS...Lone Ranger, ABC...G. E. Theatre, CBS...Our Miss Brooks, CBS...Rin-Tin-Tin, ABC...Person to Person, CBS...Make Room For Daddy, ABC...Do You Trust Your Wife, CBS...Ozzie and Harriet, ABC...The Line Up, CBS...Life of Riley, NBC...Your Hit Parade, NBC...Warner Brothers Presents, ABC...Jack Benny, CBS...Eddie Fisher, NBC...Gun Smoke, CBS...Ted Mack Amateur

Hour, ABC ... Climax, ABC...Strike It Rich, Kovacs' Show, NBC Appointment with Ad Your Hit Parade, NBC Account, CBS...Secret ... I Love Lucy, CBS... CBS . . . Super Circus, Our Miss Brooks, CBS Eddie Fisher, NBC CBS . . . Life of Riley, ... Jack Benny, CBS Hour, ABC ... Climax, ABC...Strike It Rich, Kovacs' Show, NBC. Appointment with Ad Person to Person, CBS

PENNSYLVANIA FROM PITTSBURGH TO HARRIS-BURG SEES THE VERY BEST ON WFBG-TV, CHANNEL 10, ALTOONA.

CBS . . . John Daly, CBS . . . Rin-Tin-Tin, Wild Bill Hickok .. Mickey Mouse Club, Ozzie and Harriet, Rogers, Jr., CBS... ... ABC Studio One, G. E. Theatre, CBS. Ozzie and Harriet, ABC...The Line Up, Eddie Fisher, NBC **Ted Mack Amateur** CBS . . . John Daly, CBS . . . Rin-Tin-Tin Wild Bill Hickok ... Mickey Mouse Club, ABC... On Your

Account, CBS...Secret Storm, CBS...The Morning Show with Will Rogers, Jr., CBS...

I Love Lucy, CBS...Ed Sullivan Show, CBS...Mickey Mouse Club, ABC...Studio One,
CBS...Super Circus, ABC...Lassie, CBS...Lone Ranger, ABC...G. E. Theatre, CBS...

Our Miss Brooks, CBS...Rin-Tin-Tin, ABC...Person to Person, CBS...Make Room For
Daddy, ABC...Do You Trust Your Wife, CBS...Ozzie and Harriet, ABC...The Line Up,
CBS...Life of Riley, NBC...Your Hit Parade, NBC...Warner Brothers Presents, ABC

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AGENCY AD LIBS



by Bob Foreman

Ratings have limitations, but . . .

My immediate superior, when introducing a discussion regarding tv ratings, began his philippic with the statement that—"we all recognize this to be a flat tire; however, there's no spare in the car." While his comment was, of course, intended to be more capricious than critical, there is nevertheless some evidence that our rating techniques are less than perfect.

Recently, there were called to my attention some facts that are amusing as well as amazing. These pertain to a special rating service purchased by a local tv station, the results of which the station personnel hoped would help them in spot sales. The first technique employed to determine the numbers of viewers of the station's efforts was via the diary method. Then the same survey folks went at the same time spot via telephone coincidental.

When the results were finally in, the telephone survey gave this local station an 8.9 higher rating than the diary report obtained. Since these were daytime hours studied, the difference between the two figures was greater than the total audience attributed to the station by the diary technique.

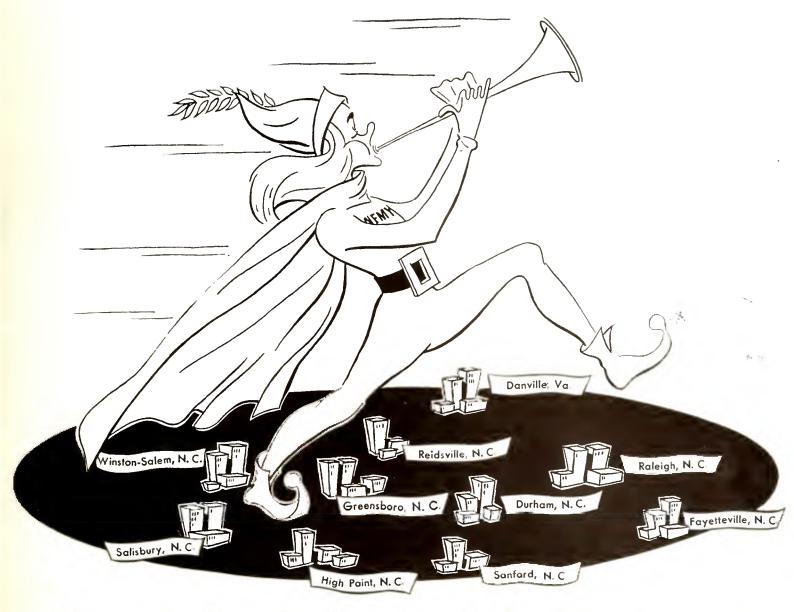
It has long been realized that there are weaknesses in our nose-counting efforts. For example, nobody's wife is going to be foolish enough to give a full report (via diary) regarding the number of daytime hours she spends in front of the infernal machine. I know that the home-maker with whom I dwell

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ARB says ratings aren't final. Sample is big fact

American Research Bureau says, "Any published rating based on a sample merely establishes a confidence range within which the true rating lies." New device indicates plus and minus deviations for rating the samples of 100-500.





Meet the Pied Piper of the Piedmont

Here's the Pied Piper of the Piedmont... the newest, most magnetic member of the WFMY-TV sales family.

This cherubic little character is tripping the light fantastic throughout stationbreaks, program promotion, and point of purchase merchandising material. He even goes so far as to pop-up in audience participation shows in the form of a marionette.

The "T-Viewers" of the 46-county Prosperous Piedmont love this little character in print or on the screen. He is being taken into the hearts and homes of WFMY-TV's 2 million viewers in the Prosperous Piedmont section of North Carolina and Virginia.

Combined with full power of 100,000 watts, plus basic CBS programming, the Pied Piper of the Piedmont is another reason why you should contact your H-R-P man today and get in on the exclusive sales features offered by WFMY-TV in this \$2.3 billion market.

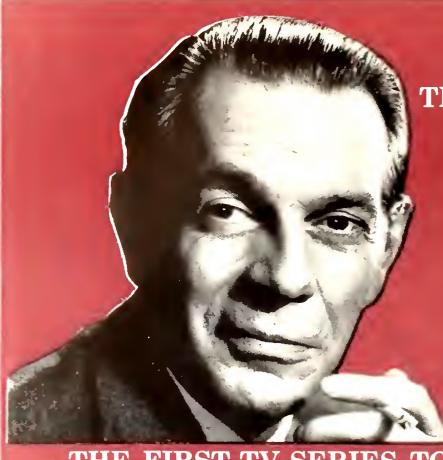
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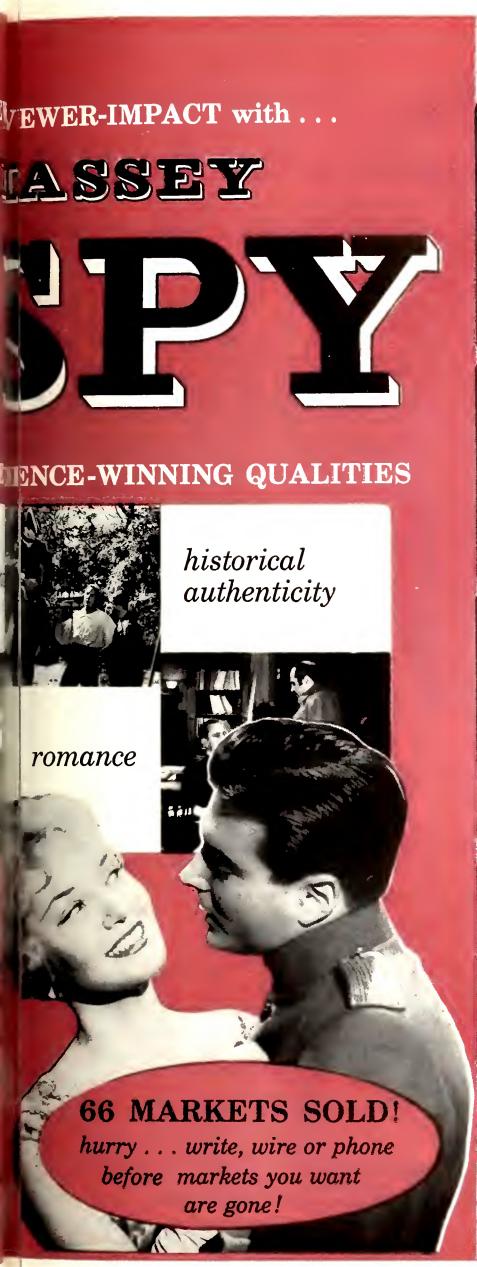
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- Nathan Hale . . . first American spy.
- Mata Hari . . . most publicized spy in history.
- · Kim Suim . . . most beautiful spy of the Korean War. · Loren Travert . . . the man who shot Stone
- Otto Keller . . . and the tragedy of Pearl Hand
- Benedict Arnold . . . and the betrayal of West
- Wilhelm Steiber . . . and Bismarck's invasion



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and Connie Haines



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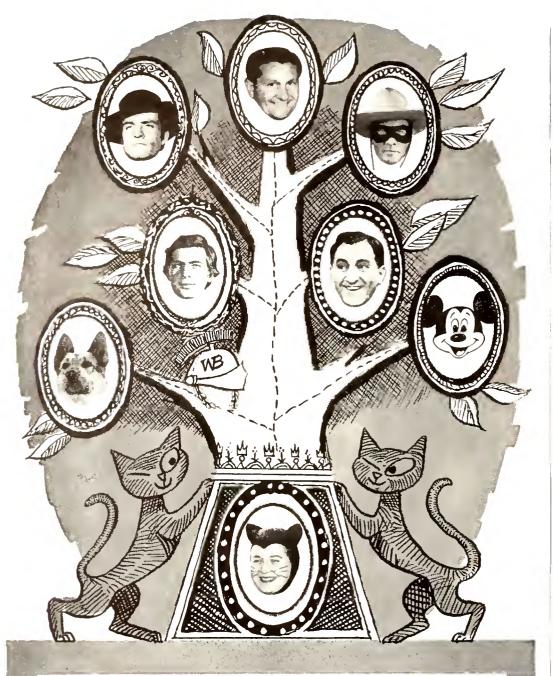
the LIBERACE show

Television's most widely acclaimed musical series for the third consecutive year. Still a few choice availabilities, and you're in luck if one of them happens to be in your market!





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Houston's big families — buying families are making KiTiRiK's family of ABC shows their first choice. Not only first in Houston — but well ahead of national average! Mickey Mouse Club is up 51% and Rin Tin Tin 15% greater than national ratings.

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MARKET RESEARCH VS. RATINGS

Apropos your recent article on ratings ("There's more to research than ratings." SPONSOR, 6 February 1956). I would append these comments:

Tv and radio ratings are fine . . . hut! It is not a secret anymore among the trade, even among the clients, what a rating means as far as viewing audience is concerned. At one time. not so very long ago, a rating was added, multiplied and slide-ruled within the confines of the agency's media office. Times have changed, and now many clients even receive rating guides from the networks to aid them in hreaking down a share of audience from a FIGURE decimal point FIGURE. Does this simplification of reading and translating figures on ratings lessen the effectiveness of an advertising agency?

Does reading a physics book produce the atom homb? Does reading the *McCall's Pattern Book* create a Ceil Chapman?

Of course not. If anything, they serve as a yardstick of appreciation for work well done in the past, and offer a decided help for the future as far as their particular phase of work is concerned. At best, offering the client a rating on various shows was and is a mechanical service. I have always maintained that media should be basically creative in nature. offering an available service which coordinates the merchandising and research departments within the agency itself.

Recently, one of our regional food accounts asked us to prepare an advertising budget for one year. We were to recommend it be spent in any media we saw fit.

One of the men in our organization suggested it might be a good idea to tie down a one minute participation spot on a Sunday afternoon movie. The show looked good on paper holding a 15.3 rating through most of the feature. But a high rating does not necessarily move merchandise if it misses its particular target.

With retail selling practices becoming more specialized every day, an advertising agency must stay several

Some successes go to everyone's head!

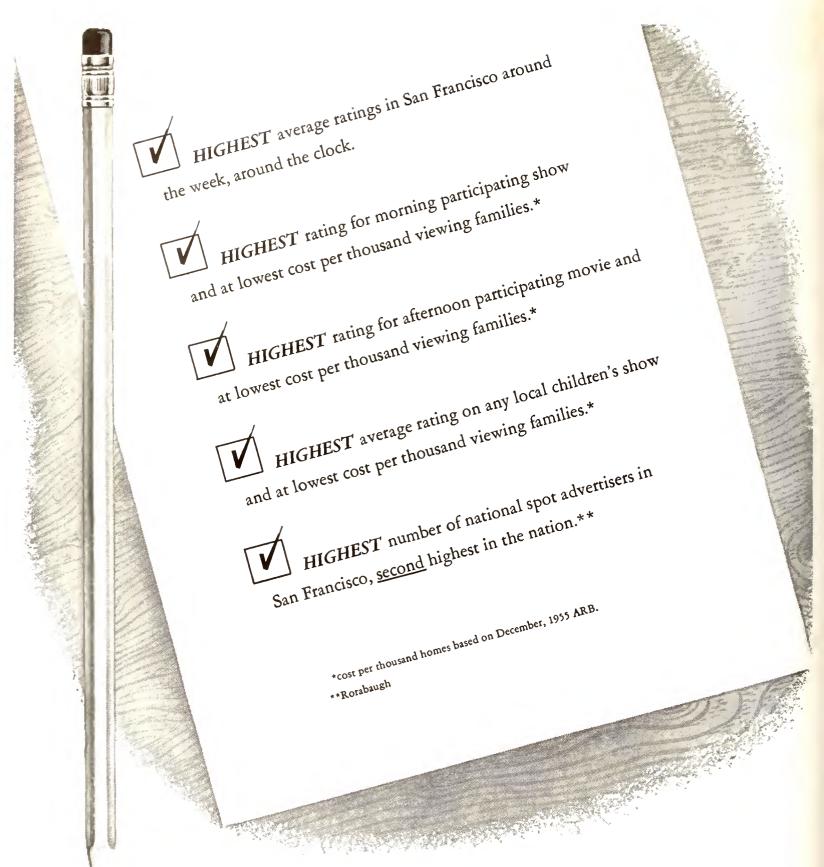


ABC-TV's Mickey Mouse Club is the biggest success in daytime TV!

Day after day — Manday thru Friday — more than 16,000,000 peaple watch Mickey Mouse Club during the average quarter haur. Day after day — Manday thru Friday — mare adults watch Mickey Mouse Club than watch 2 out af 3 daytime adult programs. The Mickey Mouse Club is more than a success . . . it's a phenomenan. Na ather daytime show delivers such ratings. And, as a matter af fact, it autdraws better than half of the evening programs, too. Mickey delivers this huge audience with tremendaus efficiency. The cost per thousand homes for a one-minute commercial is the lawest in all television — sixty-eight cents — 15 hames for a penny . . . almost nine hundred viewers for a quarter. The Mickey Mause Club has won mare hearts . . . visited more hames . . . gane ta mare heads than any other daytime show in TV history.

Source: ARB & NIELSEN, Feb. 1, 1956

ABC TELEVISION NETWORK



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.oat	Clark Sales Corp, NY	Kenyon & Eckhardt, NY	ABC		Afternoon Film Festival; M-F 3-5 pm; 28 partics; 20 Feb; 8 wks
.orn	roducts Refining Co, NY	C. L. Miller, NY	NBC	129	Queen for a Day; W & F 4:30-4:45 pm; 21 March; 52 wks
					Dollar A Second; F 9-9:30 pm; alt wks; 17 Feb. Queen for a Day; alt W & F 4:30-4:45 pm; 21 March; 52 wks
low Vint	nemícal, Midland, Mích e Co, Milwaukee	MacManus, John & Adams, Bloomfield Hills, Mich Cramer-Krasselt, Milwaukee			Famous Film Festival; S 7:30-9 pm; 6 partics each wk; 4 March Famous Film Festival; S 7:30-9 pm; 7 partics each wk: 8 April
e ei	Foods, White Plains	Benton & Bowles, NY.	CBS	83	Mighty Mouse Playhouse; alt Sat 10:30-11 am; 7 April: 52 wks
	Brewing Corp, St. Louis, Mo.				Game of the Week; Sat 2-4:30; 7 April; 26 wks
	Co, Phila Drug Co, NY, for Bayer Aspirin				Queen for a Day; alt T 4:30-4:45; 27 March Afternoon Film Festival; M-F 3-5 pm; 32 partics; 28 Feb: 13 wks
	Drug Co, NY, for Phillips Milk of	D-F-S, NY	ABC		Afternoon Film Festival; M-F 3-5 pm; 20 partics; 27 March; 9 wks
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William E. Coyle (3)



Stewart Barthelmess (3)



Homer Griffith (3)



Bob Kocenthal (3)





R. David Kímble (4)



Ewald Kockritz (3)

Renewed on Television Networks

	SPO	NSO	R	AGENCY	STATI	ONS	PROGRAM, time, start, duration
							Meet Millie; T 9-9:30 pm; 13 March; 52 wks \$64,000 Question; T 10-10:30 pm; 6 March; 52
ardi	of Londo	on, N	Y		CBS	58	Garry Moore; F 11-11:15 am; 30 March; 13 wks

Broadcast Industry Executives

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NAME	FORMER AFFILIATION	NEW AFFILIATION

	MAME	FORMER AFFILIATION
erbe	L. Bachman	KPIX, San Fran, adv-sales prom mgr
2W2	Barthelmess	ARC Radio NY notwork calos administrativo mor
vart	l. Blain	KYW, San Fran, sales mgr WTIK, Durham, NC NBC, NY, spot sales, represented stations mgr
arle	H. Cash, Jr.	WTIK, Durham, NC
chai	H. Close	NBC, NY, spot sales, represented stations mgr
101115	B. Coleman, Jr	SSC&B, NY, acct exec
dia	F Coulo	KEX, Portland, Ore, general mgr
IIIIa	c. Coyle	Washington Evening Star, Wash, DC, promotion and research director
mes	(Steve) Crane	WLW-T, Cinn, sales
W.	annenbaum. Ir.	WRCV WRCV-TV, Phila, asst general mgr
ım f	nahoe	McElroy & Prewitt, Sioux City, sales
ıle F	Elliott	KTSA, San Antonio, program dept
al E	1g	Capital Records, NY, accting system & prod analyst
:ne	ıllagher	Dugout, Inc., (restaurant) Columbus, owner and mgr
)mer	iriffith	WAFB, Baton Rouge, La, mgr
oyd	riffin	Free & Peters, NY, vp & tv director (new name) Peters.
		Griffin, Woodward, Inc.
igen:	M. Halliday	KSL Radio, SLC, Utah, general mgr
Chr	Hetherington	lohn Blair & Co. St. Louis office, mgr
warr	I. Kelly	Paul H. Raymer Co. NY
d d	ggins	Storer B'casting, Miami Beach, Fla. admin asst
sepn	Kjar	KSL Radio, SLC, Utah
L V	Kimble	RAB, NY, local sales and service director.
raid.	enthal	H-R Television, NY, acct exec Storer B'casting, Miami Beach, Fla, programing director
nald	Loif	MCA-TV, Beverly Hills, research
ch L	Madson	RAB, NY, membership activities hd
line	cDonnell.	Natl Wildlife Federation, Wash, DC, rad-tv prom hd
Pre	on Peters	Free & Peters, NY, pres (new name) Peters, Griffin,
		Woodward Inc
ncen	Ramos	Caribbean Network sales
1001	reid	CKDA. Vancouver RC mgr
44.40	INVAII	RPIA San Fran program-coordinator
O 17	V 11	KV(II) Denver
III E	Soell	H-R Television NY
Deri	Spector	. Cares Engineering, Wilmington, Del. merchandising
		and adv director
Het.	irash	Sports Illustrated NY calcoman
	Veinmann	Forjoe & Co. NY. acct exec
	Walton	NIVW, Seattle, acct exec
rber). Weise	
1 W	aker	NY Daily News, NY, adv dept
d W	d	WWVA, Wheeling, West Va, acct exec KSTP-TV, St. Paul-Minn
		Free & Peters, NY, exec vp (new name) Peters, Grif-
ssell	/oodward	fin, Woodward, Inc.
		im, woodwald, IIIC.

KEX, Portland, Ore, gen mgr
Same, Eastern sales mgr
WBC, midwest sales mgr
WTVD, Durham, NC, promotion director
Same, director of represented stations
Free & Peters, NY, business and sales dept hd
Westinghouse B'casting, NY, asst to the president
WRC-WRC-TV, Wash, DC, promotion, adv, pub rel
director WRC-WRC-TV, Wash, DC, promotion, auv, public director
Same, sales mgr
WBC, NY, nat! sales mgr
KBTV, Denver, merchandising mgr
Same, promotion and merchandising mgr
KLAC, LA, acct exec
WLW-C, Columbus, local acct exec
SESAC, Inc, NY, station relations for Calif territory

Same
KSL & KSL-TV, SLC, service dept, vp and director
ABC Film Syndication, St Louis, midwest sales
Same, vp and asst natl tv mgr
Same, vp
Same, sales & promotion director
Grey Adv, NY, associate acct exec
Edward Petry, NY, tv sales
Same, vp and natl program director
Same, research supervisor
Same, research supervisor Same, station relations director
WCOP, Boston, publicity and sales promotion director

Same
MCA TV, NY, internati sales, acct exec
KVOS-TV, Bellingham, Wash, general mgr
KSFO, San Fran, merchandising-promotion director
KVWO Radio, Cheyenne, Wyo, asst mgr
WISN-TV, Milwaukee, tv director

WIP, Phila, promotion and publicity director CBS TV, NY, spot sales, acct exec Hoag-Blair, NY, sales KYA, San Fran, sales Blair & Co, Chi, farm director Katz Agency, NY, tv sales WQOK, Greenville, S. C., station mgr ABC film syndication, Mnpls, sales

In the next issue: New and Renewed on Radio (Network); Broadcast Industry Executives; Advertising Agency Personnel Changes; Sponsor Personnel Changes; Agency Appointments

Yew and renew

Keith Kiggins (3)



£ugene M. Halliday (3)



Richard H. Close (3)



Tom Donahoe (3)

Herbert O. Weiss (3)



Herbert L. Bacıman ໍເ3)



Advertising Agency Personnel Changes

NAME	FORMER AFFILIATION	NEW AFFILIATION
William M. Amundson		Ruthrauff & Ryan, St. Paul office, mgr
Robert H. Boulware	WLW-T, Cinn, mgr	B.yan Houston, NY
Ernest L. Byfield, Jr	— KFC&C, NY, acct exec — McCann-Erickson, NY, vp and acct supervisor	Ellington Co, NY, acct exec
Roland H. Cramer	McCann-Erickson, NY, vp and acct supervisor	Ruthrauff & Ryan, NY, vp and acct supervisor
Richard L. Demmerle	Booz, Allen & Hamilton, consultant	BBDO, NY, acct exec
Daniel G. Evans	WDSU-TV, New Orleans	
	KOOL-AM-TV, Phoenix, natl sales mgr	
Howard Gossage	Brisacher, Wheeler & Staff, San Fran, acct exec	Same, director of tv production
Channing M. Hadlock	Quality Bakers of America, NY, rad-tv acct exec	Rose-Martin Agency, NY, rad-tv director
Henry A. Haines	Compton Adv, NY, vp and hd fiscal officer	Same, mbr of board
	Guenther, Brown and Berne, Cinn	
Gordon R. Hinch	Russell T .Kelley, Hamilton, Ontario, media mgr	Kenyon & Eckhardt, Toronto, media mgr
W. M. Holder	Simon & Gwynn, Memphis, acct exec	Noble-Drury & Assoc, Nashville, acct exec
Arthur C. Kammerman	BBDO, NY, cpy group hd	Same, vp
R. David Kimble	RAB, NY, local sales and service director	Grey Adv, NY, associate acct exec
Donald M. Laiffer	Warwick & Legler, LA	Same, research director
Albert V. Lowe	GE, Schenectady, small appliances division, adv-sales	
	promotion mgr	Ruthrauff & Ryan, NY, acct exec
Russell M. MacDonell	Grove Labs, St. Louis, vp in charge of sales and adv	Warwick & Legler, NY, vp
Irving MacPherson	Best Foods, Rit Products division, general mgr	Warwick & Legler, NY, vp
	Ruthrauff & Ryan, St. Louis, acct exec	Same, Dallas office, mgr
Barry McCarthy	BBDO, NY, acct supervisor	Same, vp
James S. Morgenthal	Gordon Best, Chi	Bresnick Co, Boston, vp and acct supervisor
J. G. Motheral	BBDO, San Fran office, mgr	Same, director
	BBDO, NY, acct exec	
Suzanne M. Pogany	Previews, Inc, asst adv mgr	Pearson Adv, NY, vp
Tom Swan	BBDO, Pittsburgh, acct exec	William Esty, NY, acct exec
George R. Tonjes	Young & Rubicam, NY, merchandising field office dir	Ketchum, MacLeod & Grove, Pittsburgh, merchand
Robert J. Wallace	Benton & Bowles, NY, acct supervisor	Same, vp
Philip R. Warner	Benton & Bowles, NY, acct supervisor	Same, vp
Edgar L. Weibrecht	BBDO, Cleve, acct exec	Same, vp

Station Changes (reps, network affiliation, power increases)

KBIF, Fresno, announces the appointment of Boston Times Sales Natl reps.

KBIG, Catalina, announces the appointment of Weed ${\cal G}$ Co natl reps.

KCRS, Midland, Texas, has appointed the William G. Rambeau Co natl reps.

KFRE-TV, Fresno, will become an affiliate of CBS effective

WFBL, Syracuse, will become an ABC affiliate 1 April.

WITI-TV, Milwaukee, announces the appointment of the Branham Co Natl reps.
WLBG, Laurens, S. C., announces the appointment of Indie Sales natl reps.
WNEM-TV, Bay City, Mich, has become an affiliate of ABC, WOOK, Greenville, S. C., has been sold to the Speidel-Fisher interests through Blackburn-Hamilton Co.
XETV, Tijuana, Mexico, will become an ABC affiliate 5 April.
WRDW and WRDW-TV, Augusta, Ga, announce the appointment of the Branham Co natl reps.

New Firms, New Offices, Changes of Address

A. M. S. Advertising, NY, announces the opening of its new offices at 40 East 19th St.
Free & Peters, NY broadcasting reps, becomes Peters, Griffin, Woodward, Inc. effective 15 March.
Robert S. Keller, NY rad-tv reps, have opened a Chicago office at 228 N. LaSalle St.
Kenyon & Eckardt, NY, has formed a new department responsible for the production of rad-tv commercials and

related activity. Ted Outlaw Adv, a new Greenville, S.C. Agency, occupies offices in the Insurance Bldg., 4th floor.

Stone Associates, NY tv production firm, has moved to 595

Madison Ave.

WBUF-TV, Buffalo, now has offices at 2077 Elmwood Ave.
Colgate-Palmolive, NY, wrll occupy new offices in the Colgate-Palmolive Bldg., 300 Park Ave.

H. Preston Peters (3)

Russel Woodward (3)

Joseph A. Kjar (3)











Lloyd Griffin (3)

Arch L. Madsen (3)



The Fourth Estate Looks to Five

Seattle daily newspapers "covered" KING Radio and Television recently to get two of their biggest stories on the recent football controversy at the University of Washington.

The furor which followed an unprecedented player "revolt" at the school commanded national sports headlines. But everyone—including the reporting press-relied exclusively on KING when two of the

principals involved elected to take their case to the people via Seattle's leading radio and television station.

Such exclusive news coverage is one more reason for KING's consistent superiority in this booming Pacific Northwest market.

FIRST IN SEATTLE / TACOMA

ABC Television, Channel 5, 100,000 watts / KING

ABC Radio, 1090 kc., 50,000 watts

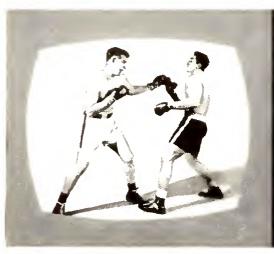
DO YOU REMEMBER THESE TV "FIRSTS"







- December, 1945 First Intercity Telecast: Army-Navy Gome. Bell Telephone lines link Municipal Stadium, Philadelphia, ta New York City. From there it was braadcast by TV stations throughout the area.
- Octaber, 1947—First Telecast of World Series. Baseball fans in Philodelphia and Washingtan, D. C., are braught within televisian range af the baseball classic in New York by Bell System caaxial cable facilities.
- May, 1948—First Commercial Service Starts: New York City, Baltimare and Washingtan, D. C. Bell System apens cammercial use af TV caaxial cable between New Yark City and Washington, D. C.







- June, 1951 First Theater TV. Prize fight in Madison Square Garden carried to nine theoters in six eostern and midwestern cities. Telecosts in New York trovel fram ringside aver Bell System videa chonnels.
- 8 September, 1951 First Coast-to-Coast TV. Japanese Peace Treoty Conference, Son Francisco. To cover ceremanies Bell System advances previaus plans, by abaut a manth, far apening cross-country TV service.
- 9 Navember, 1952—First Presidential Election on TV. Bell System uses almast 30,000 miles of intercity television channels ta carry events to the natian! Programs are transmitted to 110 television stations in 67 cities.

BELL TELEPHONE SYSTEM



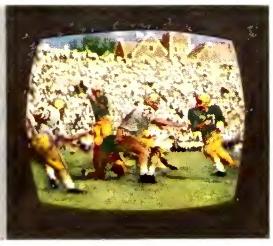
DURING THE PAST DECADE?



- June, 1948 First TV Political Convention Coverage. Bell System's eostern television network connects Boston, New York, Newark, Philodelphio, Boltimore, Woshington and Richmond covering important sessions.
- Jonuory, 1949—First East-Midwest TV Link. Bell System's eostern and midwestern television networks join 30 TV stations in 14 cities from the Atlantic to the Mississippi—another television milestone.
- 6 Jonuory, 1949 First Presidential Inaugural on TV. Millions of Americans in the Eost and Midwest wotch the inauguration ceremonies. On-thespot TV coverage is transmitted over Bell System's Television Network.







- Jonuary, 1953 First International Television. Toronto's first television station links Conoda to the U.S. by TV network facilities of the Bell System. This historic event morks the first regulor video link between notions.
- Jonuary, 1954 First Public Colorcast. Tournament of Roses. Bell System converts transcontinental channels so that for the first time viewers from coast to coast can see the Posadeno classic in color.
- 12 September, 1955 First Colorcast of Football Game. Georgia Tech-Miami U. gome in Atlanta. For the first time a national audience sees football on color television. Gome is colorcast to 100 stations in 100 cities.

Today, 10 years after the first intercity transmission of television, Bell System continues to make advances in equipment and technique. It assures the television industry the benefit of the best possible service, at low cost, now and in the future.



jumps ahead, carefully examining then planning a campaign at the shop per's level designed to really move he client's merchandise. This, to my wa of thinking, is not done with a ratin card, but rather with hard-hitting of the-spot merchandise promotion and plenty of market research.

ROBERT W. JENSEN
Radio and Tv Director
Bearden-Thompson-Frankel
Advertising
Atlanta, Georgia

CONQUEROR

... we here at RKO think you article on "The Conqueror" was the best written, most accurate and best told story on our promotion of an periodical that has covered it so fa:

AL STERN
Publicity Manager
RKO Radio Picture
New York, N. Y.

... thank you for the fine, intell gent story in SPONSOR on "The Conqueror" promotion. It was very interesting and accurate, and I am sur will be enlightening to tv station owners.... You will be interested to knothat "The Conqueror" is really breaking records, both here and abroad.

TERRY TURNER General Teleradie New York, N. Y.

"TEN MUSTS" PUT TO USE

The article on page 32 of the December 26th issue of SPONSOR was most interesting to me. I am usin the "Ten musts" in a course in Marketing Management I am teachin this semester.

I saw the present emphasis on marketing coming some years ago and began preparing a checklist to be use as a tool for any men in marketing but particularly to set up the positio of marketing director to replace the title "vice president of sales." There is a definite need for men in advertising, personal selling and sales promotion to coordinate their efforts and to learn more marketing.

C. J. COURTNEY, PH.D. Director, Marketing Dept The Creighton University Omaha, Nebraska

A LOOK TO THE FUTURE?

Was intrigued by what I suspect may have been a Freudian typo on the (Please turn to page 62)

Here's a tip... WJIM-TV Lansing
Covering more
of Michigan
Than any other
TV station!

"A" TIME MINUTES

at lowest cost per 1,000 homes

You don't have to scrimp your sales story in the great Minneapolis-St. Paul market. Get choice evening full-minute (or 20 sec.) participations in high-audience feature, syndicate and sports films, or news and weather at less than ten second cost on other stations.



"My Little Margie"
Rating 13—a full
minute (or 20 sec.)
participation at a
cost-per-thousand
homes of only \$1.11*



"Tower Theatre"
Rating 11.3—a full
minute (or 20 sec.)
participation at a
cost-per-thousand
homes of only\$1.18*



"Waterfront"
Rating 10—a full
minute (or 20 sec.)
participation at a
cost-per-thousand
homes of only \$1.33*



"Studio 9"
Rating 9.3—a full minute (or 20 sec.) participation at a cost-per-thousand homes of only \$1.43*



"Texas Rasslin"
Rating 11.7—a full
minute (or 20 sec.)
participation at a
cost-per-thousand
homes of only\$1.14*

Ratings shown are from December 1955, Telepulse

*Full Minute (or 20 sec.) at 52 Time Rate
—CPM for ID'S would be approximately one-half this figure



Represented by AVERY-KNODEL, inc.

KEYD-TV



Mr. Sponsor

Phillip Cortney

President Coty, New York

A dynamic steel-grey-haired man with piercing black-button eyes holds Coty's advertising tight in his hands. He's Phillip Cortney, the Rumanian-born, multi-lingual president of the cosmetics firm.

"I won't delegate control of advertising," says he bluntly. "We have an advertising director and staff and an agency (Franklin Bruck Advertising), but I can't divorce advertising from my other management functions. It's too important to us. You can say that advertising is our number one headache."

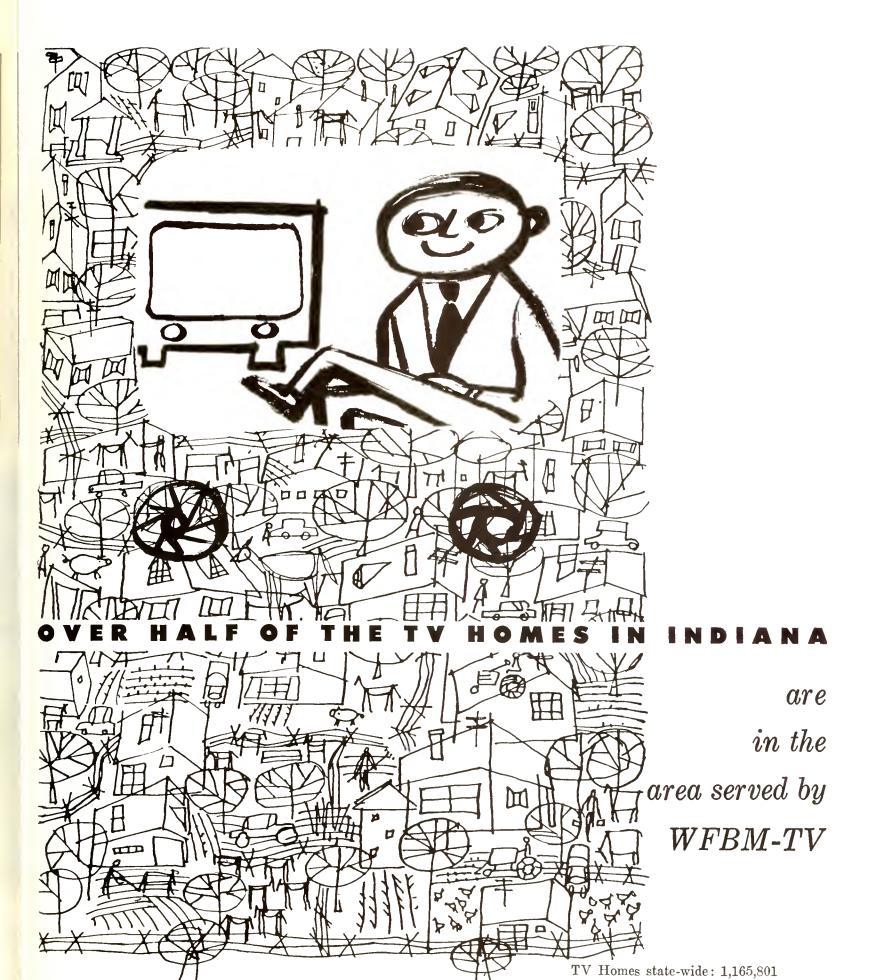
Yet, Cortney's first to point out that he's no "expert," in some of the intricacies of advertising. But then, he says, who is?

"I've told General Sarnoff that I would love to buy a tv program, but I can't afford to be wrong," he explains. "A company that spends \$15 million to \$30 million in advertising can absorb a \$1 million loss. We can't. If the network took the risk out of tv programing, we'd double or triple our spending. What I mean is this: There are two ways of determining an advertising budget—(1) as a percent of the past year's sales, or (2) as a means of creating sales. In the latter case, there's no limit on the budget; and that's the way I'd view advertising if there were a finite way to say X dollars in advertising produce Y dollar sales."

However, the risk has not deterred Cortney from allotting some \$4 million for advertising, \$1.5 million in spot tv, for annual sales. Not infrequently, he'll take a product home "to test on my wife, but she's a very bad guinea pig because she forgets why I asked her to try a product." Then he'll come up with a new copy theme himself, often defying "the rules of the specialists."

"So far we've used spot tv," says Cortney. "We're going back with announcements in some 30 markets this month. I would like to buy a network show. But how do I know it will sell? Some programs horrify me, but they seem to get high ratings. Others I like, but would they sell Coty? The trouble is that with tv a company president is forced to enter show business, or else he must take someone else's word for a multi-million dollar suggestion."

A man with wide cultural interests, he likes to research decisions himself. "After all, I went to Columbia University for a PhD in my old age." He was referring to his studies 11 years ago in international law which drew praise from such experts as Phillip Jessup. See detailed Coty story in future SPONSOR issue.



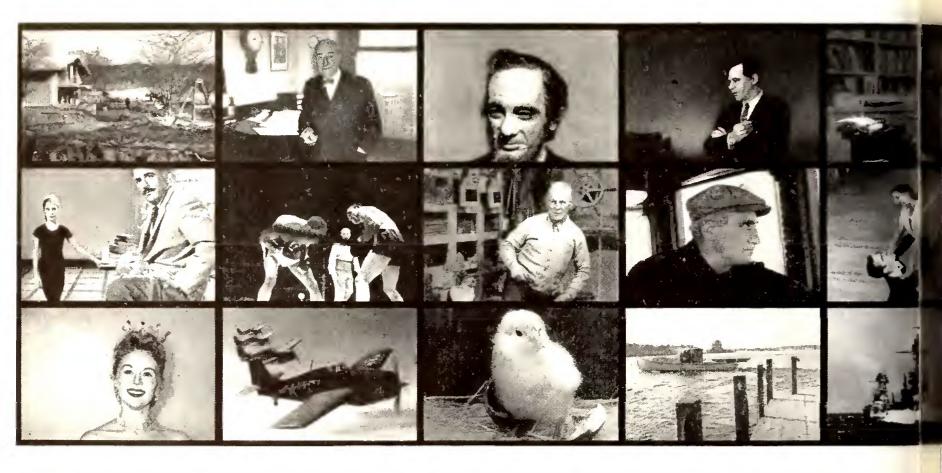


WFBM-TV INDIANAPOLIS

TV Homes WFBM-TV-wide: 664,507

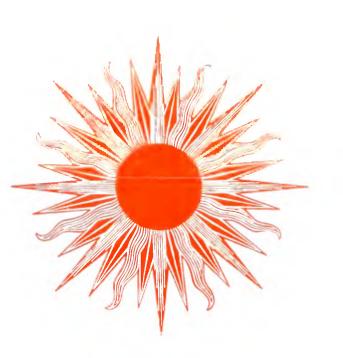
Represented Nationally by the Katz Agency Affiliated with WFBM-Radia; WOOD AM & TV, Grand Rapids; WFDF, Flint; WTCN, WTCN-TV, Minneapalis, St. Paul

something new.



Nothing in the syndicated film field approaches the stature and scoe *Under the Sun*, new series of half-hour programs produced by the Radio Workshop of the Ford Foundation, narrated by Pulitzer-wind William Saroyan and consisting of the best of Omnibus plus new substitute of this distinguished new series may be taken from the record set by Omnibus. Twenty-nine major awards including a Pearly More favorable critical comment than any other regularly-scheduled in

UNDER THE SUN"





otsors such as J. P. Stevens & Co. Inc., Nash-Kelvinator, Aluminium mted, Scott Paper Co., Greyhound, Remington Rand. And a roster of thors and stars unparalleled in broadcasting history, thanks to the ogram resources available to the Ford Foundation Workshop.

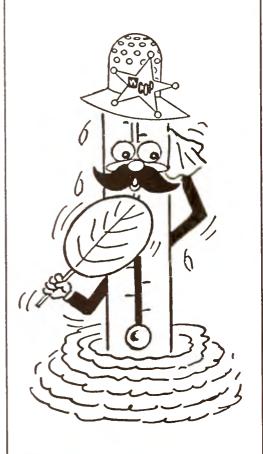
Therefore, Built-up, built-in values from the parent series, Under presents a truly rare opportunity for the sponsor who wants to

loods...and goodwill. CBS TELEVISION FILM SALES, INC.

IT'S HOT IN BOSTON

NOT THE TEMPERATURE

WCOP





1150 on Your Radio

SPONSOR BACKSTAGE



by Joe Csida

Are class "B" films, d.j. antics degrading media?

Got quite a glow this past week from running into a couple of readers, one a new-found friend in Washington, D. C.; the other an old friend from right here in New York. And both of them unwittingly cued me on to items I think worth mentioning here in the column. The Washington gent was a sales exec named Harry Hites, with Kiplinger's Changing Times. He told me that he reads sponsor regularly, and his two favorite features are columns by Bob Foreman and another fellow, whom I'd just as soon not mention. Harry and I talked, among other things, about the trade press pickup on Bob's talk to the Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn employees at that agency's recent closed-circuit meeting. I'd like to quote the portion of his address that hit home hardest with me. Said Bob:

"We must be more and more alert to the uses of tv as a sales medium. We must be more and more critical of it. We must be more creative and careful and questioning in our approach to the medium's costs, to its commercial impact, to its program-company associations and to its traceable benefits. On the other side of the same coin, we must be constantly dissatisfied with its rising costs, its dissipation of sponsor identity, its growing lack of program-product relationships, its careless moral attitudes. Actually the moral and ethical standards of tv affect each of us as citizens in one of the few free countries left in the world. We can never agree to prostitute this medium for the fast buck, to degrade it for the high Nielsen, to prevent its hard-made steps forward for the easy status quo."

The other, older New York friend I had lunch with was Carl Ward, manager of WCBS here. Last time I'd seen Carl (time sure zooms by) we were having lunch and discussing the then-raging efforts on the part of agencies, advertisers and many network and station people to clamp the coffin lid down on radio. Every tv station in the country should only be doing as well as radio station WCBS, New York. WCBS's situation, of course, isn't rare. Many a radio station in any part of the country you care to name is doing better business than at any time in radio's history.

Another recent development reminded me of a piece I did over six months ago on NBC Board Chairman Sylvester "Pat" Weaver, in which I made passing reference to the Sarnoff-Folsom Radio Corporation of America management

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AMARILLO HISTORY

with a mild commercial in the last paragraph



AMARILLO has a short past. It was born with a cocklebur under its civic tail back in 1887, during the days when a branding iron was a sacred instrument and the first railroad was coming through. The way one story goes, man name of Sanborn offered the cowboys of the LX Ranch a town lot apiece if they'd vote for his town (then known as Oneida) in a contest which developed over the location of the county seat. Since the LX hands constituted a legal, or shooting, majority, justice triumphed. "Amarillo" derived from the yellow flowers that, along with cattle, decorated the surrounding prairie.

Highly productive Texas soil caused agriculture to flourish. Early farmers raised giant-size vegetables. Wheat liked the Panhandle. Cotton was planted after the accidental discovery that cottonseeds, in which an early shipment of eggs was packed, would grow. Highways and railroads crossed at

Amarillo. Oil, natural gas and helium were discovered. Airlines came zooming in.

Amarillo, first in the nation in retail sales per household, is close to the stuff an advertiser looks for when he wants business. KGNC gives its advertisers a clean shot at Panhandle hospitality and loyalty.



NBC AFFILIATE

AM: 10,000 watts, 710 kc. TV: Channel 4. Represented nationally by the Katz Agency



NOT SEVENTEEN?

YES...WBRE-TV does have a 17 County Coverage

With the SPEED of a Jack Rabbit WBRE-TV's expert NEWS staff of reporters and cameramen scoop every TV station in this 2,000,000 populated area of N. E. Pennsylvania. WBRE-TV is the only station staffed and equipped to render a personal news service to the hundreds of communities that comprise this great industrial and agricultural market. News gathering and reporting is backed with high speed equipment. Teleprompter service is used for maximum quality and efficiency of presentation, and UP Facsimile photo service for upto-the-minute National news. Call WBRE-TV or your Headley-Reed representative. Get in on WBRE-TV NEWS!

AN BEE BASIC BUY: National Representative: The Headley-Reed Co.

Counties Covered: LUZERNE LACKAWANNA LYCOMING SCHULYKILL NORTHUMBERLAND MONROE PIKE WYOMING SULLIVAN SUSQUEHANNA BRADFORD SNYDER MONTOUR CARBON



The Jack Rabbit or Antilope Hare is one of the worlds speediest mammals...it can leap 17 feet without effort.





'SPONSOR' SURVEY SHOWS 13 CLIENTS SPEND 4.2% OF TOTAL TV DOLLARS ON COMMERCIALS

Should show costs outweigh commercials 20 to 1?

Admen differ but effort is afoot to up spending on commercials

E verybody talks about the millions being plunked down for television time and talent.

But few talk about how much money is spent for tv commercials, which are, after all, the pay-off factor in video selling. To the advertiser, this is what television is all about.

Is the advertiser as lavish with commercial spending as he is with programing money? And if he isn't, should he be?

SPONSOR went behind the gray flannel curtain to get the answers to these twin questions. Here's what it found:

- A representative group of advertisers spent an average of 4.2% of their total tv expenditures for commercials last year. This is the weighted average of the group as a whole.
- There's a wide difference of opinion as to whether enough money is being spent on commercials. Practically no admen, however, suggest that less money can be spent on video plugs.
- While most admen point out you can't decide ahead of time what percent of total tv expen-

ditures should go for commercials, important agencies are beginning to feel that too many clients are penny-wise and pound-foolish about commercials. Those who feel that way see 10% of tv spending as a rough target to aim at. Among this group is McCann-Erickson, which made a study of commercial spending both among its own clients and its clients' competitors. McCann-Erickson is actively selling the concept of increased commercial spending to its clients.

• The discussion of commercial spending uncovered a feeling at some agencies that tv commercials were not using the best people available.

The sample of advertisers (a baker's dozen of them) used in SPONSOR's analysis of tv commercial spending embrace 11 product groups covering every

major tv category. These 13 advertisers account for about 15% of all the tv spending in the U.S.—including network, spot and local—or \$146 million.

While SPONSOR considers the sample representative of tv spending as a whole, the 13 spenders analyzed (see chart at right) are not necessarily representative of commercial spending in their particular industries. Furthermore, it should be pointed out that the percent figure alone does not give the full picture of commercial spending by video advertisers.

For example, while the auto client would appear to spend an average percent for commercials, actually the firm is lavish with its commercial dollars. The reason this is not apparent in the chart is that the firm is also exceedingly generous with its time and talent money.

As the chart shows, there is no correlation between the size of the advertising expenditure and the percent spent for actual selling. That is, there is no obvious evidence that the big advertiser has such advantages of economy that he can invariably pull off more economical commercial costs. While he does, in a general sense, have the advantages of size and economy, there are so many other factors determining commercial cost that these advantages are smothered.

The accuracy of sponsor's 4.2% figure (a

weighted average with the unweighted average being 4.0%) is bolstered by the results of the McCann-Erickson study. The agency found two food and one beer account spending nearly 10% of their tv budgets each for tv commercials. But most of the others fell within the 4-5% range. In sponsor's sample, the range varied considerably, going in one case under 1% and in another up to nearly 10%. Except for the latter, however, none were above 5.66%. (Time and talent figures here include both spot and network expenditures by these advertisers.)

More money: In essence, the argument of the more-money-for-commercials school is that when enough money is available, the chances are the advertiser will get a better job done. While this school agrees that inexpensive commercials can be effective, there

is a sneaking suspicion that this is often more a matter of luck than anything else.

The basic argument for more commercial money—as voiced by Ted Bergmann, ex-Du Mont Network chief and now vice president and associate director of television and radio for McCann-Erickson—runs in this vein:

"It seems to me that when a sponsor spends a lot of money to get people into his tent to hear his sales message he should be willing to go to extra expense to have his sales message adequately dressed.

"The agency goes through hell

to get good time slots and talent compatible with the product but the time an agency can spend on the commercial must, by necessity, be related to the money spent on it.

"Time and again we see relatively low-rated shows do a great sales job because of fine commercial treatment while a high-rated show with poor commercials will have the opposite effect.

"The commercial is the client's insurance and he's going to have to pay a premium or the insurance will lapse."

One of the most commonly-heard specific arguments for generous commercial spending is the point that a film commercial, even if expensive initially can come out economical because it can be rerun. Listen to an agency radio-tv director, who

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List at right accounts for 15% of all U.S. tv spending

Chart includes 13 sponsors, covers 11 different product categories. Total tv spending by the group adds up to \$146 million of which \$6 million is spent on commercials in both network and spot. This is equal to weighted average of 4.2%. The unweighted average is 4.8%. Figures, based on survey by SPONSOR, are bolstered by McCann-Erickson survey of its own and competing clients. Survey found three clients spending 10% of tv budget on commercials but most fell in range between 4 and 5%, the survey found.

WHAT 13 CLIENTS SPEND ON TV COMMERCIALS

PRODUCT		TOTAL TV EXPENDITURE	TALENT COSTS	TIME COSTS	COMMERCIAL COSTS	% FOR COMMERCIA
Gum true and is also heavy it; mmercials are film	J.	\$2,883,115	\$1,467,700	\$1,377,415	\$38,000	1.32%
Tobacco	11/1	16,975,410	5,915,000	10,667,910	. 392,500	2.31
Cosmetics Of cold day and night; arts are live and film	基基	2,538,640	731,640	1,794,000	13,000	0.51
Drugs per live network client, morale spot advertiser		8,374,600	3,271,600	4,788,000	315,000	3.76
Food ie r in its field, firm ies stly network plugs	A STATE OF THE STA	5,769,200	1,721,200	3,848,000	200,000	3.47
nattime network but of mercials on film	©	5,340,216	2,080,000	2,975,216	285,000	5.33
Auto yo spot and network; c. arc live and film		14,690,216	7,410,000	6,680,216	600,000	4.08
Tobacco Line Lipol and network; act are live and film	11/1	12,199,266	4,786,600	7,102,666	310,000	2.54
Drugs And week sponsor and Apht spot advertising		3,071,415	1,404,000	1,377,415	290,000	9.44
Soap Tipet and network; lefts are mostly film	SPAP	53,258,030	10,917,670	39,540,360	2,800,000	5.25
de te week sponsor;	K-	5,407,115	2,195,700	2,911,415	300,000	5.54
Paper total day and night; ght; spot advertising		9,460,216	3,458,000	5,752,216	250,000	2.64
Appliances PETMA and some spot; Omnicials mostly live	EÜ	6,186,000	1,976,000	3,860,000	350,000	5.69
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WEIGHTED AVERAGE 4.2%

Why spot radio's "yum-yum-yummy

Averaging 90 announcements a week in key markets, tomato paste manufatus

Taking stock of radio campaign's effect (l. to r.): Contadina Sales Mgr. Larry Ferro, Ad & Sales Prom. Mgr. Martin Scarpace, A/E Bob Brisacher, Asst. Sales Mgr. James Matalone



Most newcomers to radio prefer to edge in warily, testing the medium before they wade in. But when the Contadina Tomato Paste people of San Jose, Calif., took the plunge last year they dove off the high board. In two saturation spot schedules last year the company averaged up to 90 announcements a week for a total of over 11,000 throughout the combined 15-week period.

When they came up for air at the end of the campaign in November, sales totals for the year were up 15-25%.

The campaign—actually a two-part drive, six weeks in the spring and nine weeks last fall—cost a total of some \$400,000. Results, according to Walton Purdom, executive vice president of Contadina's agency, Brisacher, Wheeler & Staff, San Francisco, "were even better than we had hoped for." Today the name Contadina is almost as familiar to housewives nationally as it is to dealers who stock it and know it to be the biggest-selling tomato paste in the field.

Idea was to dominate the medium and emblazon the brand name on the minds of customers in the company's key markets. Needed was a kind of aural trademark. What they came up with was a jingle so catchy that supermarket operators later reported overhearing a number of women humming it under their breath as they wheeled their baskets down the aisles!

Actually, the campaign nearly missed getting started at all last spring. The tomato paste pack was short then. Consequently, there was some doubt that Contadina would be wise in complicating the situation by advertising aggressively. Dealers don't take it lightly when a manufacturer creates heavy consumer demand for his product and then fails to back it up with adequate distribution, leaving them to explain to their customers why they don't have the item in stock. The usual technique when a manufacturer in short supply wants to keep his brand

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sles for year by 15-20%

remembered is to use institutional advertising.

Against this argument, however, were these three considerations:

- Contadina had a No. 1 brand shelf position in the stores to hold.
- It had a near-universal distribution picture to protect.
- And there was the coming fall selling season to prepare for.

Following a few huddles between Contadina Sales Manager Larry Ferro, Ad Manager Martin Scarpace and Account Executive Bob Brisacher, it was decided that by moving boldly in the spring they could build toward even greater sales increases in the fall when the new pack would be ready.

But what media to use? And how long a campaign should be conducted?

The reasoning went something like this: Since, basically, the need was to keep the name of the product in the minds of as many customers as possible during the current selling season while preparing for a heavier one some months in the future, it seemed logical to aim for the largest unduplicated, cumulative audience available. But at a cost in line with the expected volume of immediate sales. "Our thinking." says Purdom, "was to take one medium and dominate it as far as

tomato paste brands was concerned."

And, since the message the sponsor wanted to get across was not primarily a visual one, all reasoning pointed to the use of radio. Newspaper ads, used in a small way, would serve to maintain the identity of the package.

The decision reached was to concentrate their efforts in a six-week campaign via spot radio announcements in the key tomato paste markets. Daytime, of course, to reach the family purchasing agent. But, again breaking with tradition, not all in the "hot" morning hours. Instead, they bought almost around the clock—from 6 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

"We looked for adjacencies to toprated programs and participations on programs of leading personalities," Purdom explains. "This, we believe, resulted in an unusually fine schedule, one that gave us real value both in circulation and in use of the popularity of local personalities."

The campaign was launched 21 April. A combination of radio and newspapers was used in nine markets: St. Louis, Rochester, New Orleans, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, New York, Detroit, Chicago, and Cleveland. In four other markets newspapers alone were used: Wilkes-Barre; Jackson, Miss.; Baltimore, and Milwaukee.

Like all food manufacturers fighting the fierce battle of the shelves, Contadina sought all the solid, on-the-spot merchandising assistance it could get. Its leading competitors, Hunt's and Del Monte, have both been active in spot television and radio, but only sporadically and not to the extent that Contadina has. In this effort, Contadina enlisted the help of its local

RADIO!

* Saturation Schedules!

* Proved Formula for Better Sales!

* Hundreds of Hard-Hitting Spot Commercials to Blanket Your Market Area!



Dealer promotion tells grocers how to tie in with radio campaign, also offers ad mats

brokers and radio stations. None of the point-of-sale material tied in directly with radio, but it was all designed so that the merchandising pieces provided by the stations (bin riders and stickers, for example) could be adapted to the company's units.

More than this, brokers and station men got out and sold. They did "a remarkable job of working together and making contacts with buyers of leading chains and independents for special mass displays of the products," says Purdom.

"That these buyers were alert to the power of spot radio campaigns was immediately evident and it was obvious that the top radio stations had been doing a splendid job of selling the merits of their medium to the trade."

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HOW CONTADINA MERCHANDISED ITS SPOT RADIO CAMPAIGN



VIA LOCAL GROCERS

PROVIDED DEALERS IN RADIO MARKETS WITH SPECIALLY PREPARED TIE-IN

MATS IDENTIFYING THE

ADVERTISING GROCER AND

CARRYING OUT SLOGAN OF

SPOT RADIO CAMPAIGN.

ALLOTTED COMMERCIAL
TIME FOR EACH BROKER
TO MENTION LOCAL STORE
NAMES IN RETURN FOR DISPLAYS BY BUYERS OF LEADING CHAINS AND INDEPENDENTS. WORKED WONDERS.

VIA REGION BROKERS

VIA RADIO STATIONS
GOT HELP FROM STATION
SALESMEN IN SELLING
MERITS OF SPOT RADIO TO
THE TRADE. MADE FOLLOW-UP SURVEYS FOR
INFORMATION NEEDED TO
PLAN NEXT CAMPAIGN.

PART TWO

OF A TWO-PART SERIES

Should agencies earn 15% on package shows?

Agency service doesn't warrant it, say some clients. Instead, they recommend system of prorated commissions or fees

One of the issues which most needs airing today is the question of whether commissions for agencies on tv talent costs are justified. It's an issue which has already caused clients and their agencies to sever relationships and the questioning has intensified since the 4 A's consent decree.

To put both sides of the story on the record, SPONSOR spoke at length to agency and client executives. In several instances books were opened up and figures made available for publication.

The previous SPONSOR issue carried the point of view of those who say agencies are fully entitled to 15% commissions on show costs. Now here's the thinking of those advertisers who feel 15% talent commissions are a virtual gift to the agency and should be adjusted downward.

The arguments cited to SPONSOR are arranged under eight headings. Most of the client sources asked anonymity, as you might expect. But one ad manager who was willing to speak out on the record is Sylvania's Terry Cunningham. His remarkably hard-hitting condemnation of television talent commissions appears on an immediately succeeding page (page 36).

1. Network production: The picture right sums up the passing of an era in the agency world. It shows Pat Weaver when Y&R and other agencies played a major role in show production. But Pat Weaver himself, as much as any other man, helped swing control of programing over to the networks where he feels it belongs. The agency in



Last issue

Agencymen, many clients favor package commissions for these reasons (full details in 5 March issue)

There are no "packages." Every tv show, be it produced by network or packager, requires costly agency servicing that agencies can't absorb

Diminishing agency profit, down to 1% of gross billing because of high cost of operating doesn't permit cut in revenue without cut in service

Network tv is very risky. Because of client's high initial investment, agency chances losing entire account if its tv recommendation flops

Bargaining about prices rather than accepting traditional uniform 15% would undermine stability of agencies, detract from top servicing



This issue

Article starting above details reasons some clients fight package commissions, including these

Agencies have lost show control. After the onetime effort of selecting a show, agencymen just review scripts, but don't influence show format

Increasing time costs bolster agency revenue as it is and should cover relatively small expense of supervising client's network to package shows

Most services cost extra fees despite agencies' high income from network tv clients. But even if they didn't, services don't balance 15% on shows

Steep show commissions may eventually deter clients from net tv. Even today 15% on a \$1 million show would buy 26 weekly half-hours on 20 stations



most instances no longer produces or actively works on the entertainment content of most shows. The network is king in production, through its own facilities or often in partnership with an outside packager.

Advertisers ask, therefore, why they should continue to pay a full 15% commission on the cost of network to shows when the agency's role has been reduced. That's the basic issue, advertisers told sponsor. And they point out that the economy of to accelerates the growth of network show control. The costs of production and ensuing trend to shared sponsorship makes it harder for any one advertiser to control or even influence live programing.

At the same time film programing has mushroomed. More and more film productions today are getting network or major Hollywood studio backing. The independent film packagers have gained considerable stature.

Today, film is in the hands of professionals. Most of these film men have years more specialized experience than their agency counterparts. Their productions are well financed, well planned and often well under way by the time a particular sponsor and agency enter the picture. There's little chance at this point to influence any of the production values, clients contended to SPONSOR.

Moreover show control doesn't mean the same thing to advertisers today as it did five years ago. They don't feel as concerned with having the agency preserve the quality of a show. The programing professionals at the networks or the independent film producers have larger stakes in

good productions than the agency. The principal type of control they do expect from the agency still is screening of scripts to make sure nothing contrary to client policy creeps in.

"We've got a sizeable ad department ourselves," the radio-tv head of a major package food company told sponsor. "Two of our own men review show scripts as it is. That's hardly a reason for paying the agency 15% on show costs. If they influenced production that would be different. But is Pat Weaver going to let an agency tell him what to do with his spectaculars?"

Most admen agree that the agency generally goes to considerable expense when selecting a package for a client. But they feel this expense is usually amortized from time commissions alone after the show has been on the air for a single season or even before that point is reached.

2. That "low" profit: The oft-mentioned 1% agency profit on gross billings is suspect among some client admen—including a number who do not criticize the 15% commissions on package shows.

"The 1% of billings figure equals some 8% of gross income," one electrical appliance advertiscr pointed out. "And that's a pretty solid return in any business. Besides, I'd like to find an agency that's ever made that little on my account—and I'm judging from their cost accounting."

An advertiser spending \$2.9 million in air media showed (Please turn to page 71)



Sylvania's Terry Cunningham speaks out

Here are the remarkably frank views of a veteran adman. A former agency principal, Cunningham is ad director for Sylvania Electric Co. which sponsors Beat the Clock on CBS TV. This Goodson-Todman package was bought five years ago for Sylvania by Cecil & Presbrey. JWT is firm's current agency.

"Agencies are riding a gravy train"

Here are hard-hitting comments on show commissions from ad manager who feels that time commissions, too, should be scaled down

Q. Do you like the commission system in its present form as a method of compensating agencies for tv handling?

No, because the agencies benefit from a general growth in the industry, without adding to their own performance for the client. If you start with a four-station lineup, then add 60 stations, the agency doesn't have one penny extra cost of handling your show. Actually, in fairness to advertisers, the network time commissions should be revised first of all, and made payable on a sliding scale to conform with the networks' own discounts. For example, an advertiser might pay 15% commission on any time costs up to \$50,000 weekly, 13% for the next \$25,000 weekly and 10% for anything over and above that. It's the initial time clearing on the network that may be difficult for the agency, but the increase in rates or addition of stations shouldn't line the agencies' pockets.

Q. Do you think agencies could still make a fair and reasonable profit if their tv show commissions were cut?

Our agency account executive told me recently, "We don't make money on this account even though it's been in the shop for a year and despite \$2 million in tv billings, because the tradepaper handling is so costly." Well, I had an agency of my own at one time and I know that tradepaper handling is expensive for an agency. I prefer to see national media billings' commissions balance out the various small media that any typical company needs, rather than see the growth of a complicated fee system. But I don't think tradepaper handling can account for the \$300,000 gross income the agency is collecting from our net tv effort alone. A client can't evaluate agency service and income on his account from cost accounting because service rendered is an intangible. An agency could conceivably lose money despite \$2 million net tv billings, but only by its own inefficiency: over-staffing, duplication

of manpower. Sometimes the smaller shop which needs to watch nickels and dimes is more efficient. Personally, I don't see that an agency would be losing money (it might make smaller profits) if it passed along to the advertiser some of the benefits of growing tv investments.

What are the justifications for a talent commission on to package shows agencies don't produce?

A. None at all. In my opinion, discovering a new show is part of the selling expense of an agency which it should absorb, not the client. Even if you ask your agency to find you a new show, there's no excuse for a talent commission as a form of "discovery fee." All it takes is

WHO EARNS 15% ON SYLVANIA'S "BEAT THE CLOCK?" ONE AGEN I



one agencyman's time for one day to check into network availabilities and look through the files for the availabilities from independent packagers that the latter are always trying to sell him anyhow. On the other hand, if a client wants to produce his own show and asks an agency to help "prepare and develop" the show, then the agency and client should make an independent deal to cover this assignment (and it should be on a fee, not a percentage basis). Nor is there any excuse for commissions on syndicators' or independents' packages as compared with network packages, because in those instances too agency handling is at a minimum and should be amply covered by the time commission.

Q. Don't agency services like marketing counsel, for example, compensate advertisers for show commissions?

A. Those services aren't so costly that they could be put in the balance against hundreds of thousands of dollars in talent commissions. But over and beyond that, every agency I've worked with charged extra for all services. Even now we're paying our agency some \$30,000 a year in extra fees, despite the fact that Beat the Clock is packaged outside the agency.

Could time and commercials commissions alone compensate agencies for expense of making commercials without agency getting package show commissions as well?

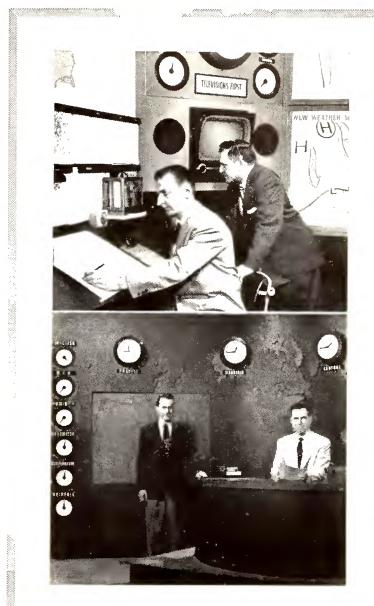
A. Certainly. There's little excuse for time commissions not covering commercials production as it is. True, there's much work involved in getting a storyboard approved by a client, but there's no set correlation between cost to the agency of producing a storyboard and cost of the commercial to the client. Therefore 15% on cost of filming a commercial is unfair. If time commissions didn't cover the agency's work on commercials, negotiated fees should.

Isn't agency commission on package shows justified because of their talent negotiations alone?

What talent negotiations? Just a couple of weeks ago the agent for one of our performers asked the agency for a \$50 weekly increase for his client. The agency simply passed the request on to me, and I'm the one who said, "No." The agency didn't do any negotiating.

ED IOW 5 YEARS AGO, NOW ANOTHER AGENCY SUPERVISES, BILLS IT





Science is in, gimmicks are out for television weather shows

There was a time in television when weather shows consisted of mostly gimmicks with the forecast and local conditions shirttailed on the program. Not so the case today. More and more stations throughout the nation are taking a scientific tack to bring viewers a scholarly, sober approach to what will be in store as far as weather goes. Such stations have their own weather instruments and carefully selected weathermen, and in many instances trained meterologists to make sure that weather is regarded as "official" rather than have a circus approach. Two such stations to take this approach are WLW-T, Cincinnati and KWTV, Oklahoma City. WLW-T has its own weather bureau and staff meterologist, Jim Fidler, formerly of the *Today* show. Out at KWTV Weatherman Harry Volkman explains the isobars and details the forecasts. Sales success with the new approach and rating increases seem to say that the age of "gimmicky" weather is on the way out. Top photo shows Fidler, right, and assistant, T. Sands. Lower photo: KWTV's Volkman and Newscaster Clyde

What buyers want to know about MBS' guaranteed cost-per-1,000

They ask why protection is needed, whether plan implies basic change in radio's pricing policies. Here are frank answers from MBS

hat would you as a buyer want to know about the new MBS cost-per-1,000 guarantee To find out sponsor went to a group of media directors who submitted questions. These sponsor put to MBS executives in a taperecorded session. Covered were MBS' views on conventional programming vs. new departures in net radio as well as MBS' thinking on guaranteed cost-per-1,000. Participating in the sessions were: John B. Poor, MBS executive v.p.; Harry Trenner. v.p. charge of sales; Richard Puff, research director.

- Q. Why are you introducing guaranteed cost-per-1,000 after 30 years of network radio without guarantees?
- A. (HARRY TRENNER) To cut a long story short, we feel that network radio today has taken its place alongside the other statistical media like print. And if that's the way you the buyer wants it, that's the way it ought to be sold.
- Q. Just how does the plan work, step by step?
- A. (TRENNER) First we go to a pros-

pect and talk to him about our guaranteed plan, giving him to understand that we're planning to put some stability into broadcast purchasing. Then he gives us an idea of approximately what he wants to spend, the type of spread that he wants, the type of audience he would like to reach. At that point we come back and sit down with the slide rules and the charts and the history of what we have done in the past and we go back and make a recommendation that carries with it a guaranteed cost-per-1,000. That guar-



Here's how MBS arrives at cost-per-1,000 guarantee

- 1. Nielsen pocket-piece is the source of rating material.
- 2. Average audience ratings will be used.
- **3.** Total U. S. radio homes data will be taken from Nielsen ratings reports and will be changed as frequently as Nielsen adjusts his U. S. radio homes figures.
- **4.** Guarantee will be based on commercial minute home impressions (audience to the commercial).
- **5.** Guarantee will be computed on gross audience data.
- **6.** Guarantee will be computed on the net weekly cost, before agency commission.
- **7.** Guarantee will be on the basis of total length of contract (minimum is 13 weeks, see text for why).
- **8.** First review of guarantee will be on the basis of the first four reports available after start of new contract. From that point on, all addition rating information will be accumulated for the purpose of determining commercial minute home impressions.

- 9. Commercial minute home impressions will be computed on the basis of total number of commercial minutes used. For example—a five-minute period will be computed on the basis of 1½ minutes of commercial time.
- 10. Data will be based on ratings published for the specific programs as reported in the regular Nielsen pocket-piece. However, if any program should not be rated because of Nielsen's non-subscriber program policy—then an average of the programs on either side will be used for all computations.
- 11. In the event that MBS does not deliver the minimum guarantee, then the additional commercial time will be alloted to bring the audience to the specific guarantee.
- 12. Should make-good time be required, Mutual will use its best efforts to reach a type of audience similar to that indicated in the original purchase. This would obviously involve control factors such as program type and day parts.



antee is based on a guide worked out by our research director, Dick Puff (see box left). It is based on costper-1,000 homes actually exposed to the commercial.

Q. Isn't network radio today a highly stable medium with few sharp dips and peaks in ratings, whereas television has its \$64,000 Questions that shoot way ahead of the pack?

A. (TRENNER) I don't know that the stability of radio is quite as firm as you allege it to be. It is stable within a small fraction of a rating. But a small fraction of a percentage point could represent a considerable number of people, perhaps 300,000. Consider that in juxtaposition, for example, to the circulation of certain magazines.

And as far as stability is concerned and as far as the knowledge in advance, I point out to you that if you buy the best that is available, meaning a Cadillac, you still want a guarantee with a Cadillac the same as you do with a used car even though the stability and the quality in the performance is more or less a foregone conclusion.

Q. How many people does a rating point represent in net radio?

A. (DICK PUFF) Well, there's a rough rule of thumb on that but one rating point would be about half a million homes. Actually I might add that while it's true we don't have the big peaks and the big dips that we used to have because we don't have the high ratings that we used to have, it becomes even more important today to have a guarantee than before because a small drop in a rating today affects a larger proportion of the total audience. Therefore while the percentage changes are considerably lower than they were in the past, they become far more important.

Q. Can you give a numerical example offhand of how that works. What is a typical rating today on a Mutual show? And what would it mean if you were off by one point?

A. (PUFF) Well take the nighttime Multi-Message Plan, for example. The last rating averages somewhere around 2.2, 2.3. If that was off a half a rating point, that's 20% of your audience.

Q. That would be off about a quarter of a million homes?

A. (PUFF) That is right. So that a very small percent change has a very large effect on the total audience.

That's true not only of Mutual, but of all the radio networks.

Q. How does the MBS guarantee compare with a magazine's circulation guarantee?

A. (TRENNER) This is not a circulation guarantee. We in network radio specifically do not like to refer to ratings as circulation because we don't think they're comparable. This is actual audience. If you translated this in terms of circulation this would be magazine circulation divided by the Starch figures on the ad. It's comparable to ad readership actually.

Q. Assuming that an advertiser buys a certain guaranteed cost-per-1,000 figure today and the ratings drop next year, will Mutual lower rates to maintain the original guarantee?

A. (TRENNER) I think we'll get back to the first question there, in which we said that radio today is a statistical buy. It's bought on the basis of costper-1,000. If we continue to believe that cost-per-1,000 is the basis on which network radio must be sold, then we anticipate that if we deliver much better than our guarantee, we would raise rates. If we deliver lower than our guarantee, which we do not

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How to give

New York Telephone Co. puts him

"Mr. Classified," personifies the yellow-page directories in air advertising of the phone company, delivers "easy-way-to-find-it-fast" message

ow do you dramatize a dry, deadserious thing like a telephone directory? Unless you're Sears, Roebuck, it's hard to get people to use your book as often as you'd like.

Spot radio and especially television are providing the answer for the New York Telephone Co. Its "Red Book" will never make the best seller list, but air media are doing a persuasive job of showing more than half the families in New York new ways to use it, according to Account Executive John Leonard of BBDO.

The over-all "Yellow-Pages" campaign, SPONSOR estimates, will cost the company over half a million dollars this year, of which about 40% will go for tv and radio. And if you deduct the \$50,000 which the New York company pitches into the national kitty for

yellow page promotion, air media account for about half the budget.

"Actually," says Leonard, "the campaign is probably unique. Primarily, our audience is not the businessmen who buy space in the directory, but rather the people who use what's advertised there. And, they get the book free.

"Of course, we also reach prospective advertisers. But our main interest is to demonstrate how helpful the directory can be to anyone . . . to get them to keep it out, near the phone instead of stashed away in a closet."

Just how well has the campaign done? Since air media were added six years ago, sales have gone up by about one-third and an advertising awareness study made recently showed that:

- The percent of customers having tv sets who recall having seen telephone subjects "a number of times" is up sharply to a new high of 35%, compared with 27% in the study six months previous.
- An additional 25% say they have seen such subjects "once or twice," making a total of over 60% seeing telephone subjects on tv.
- Recall of classified directory advertising is above average, 71% vs. 67% for all other companies in the Bell Telephone System.
- And the increase over the previous year is 3% vs. an average of 2%.

These are the facts that the sales boys are after; proof of usage is what space sales are made of. Last year sales were up 9% over 1954, and 1954 had been up 6.6% over 1953.

In New York: Typical one-minute animation shows caricature of wolf looking up "Home Wreckers" in yellow pages to evict three little pigs





John Leonard, BBDO account executive. supervises the campaign. A former magazine promotion man, he has \$500,000 to work with

my fingers for a phone directory

day pages" ad budget into air media in drive to show new ways to use them

The New York company is only one of 23 associated companies in the sprawling system that makes up American Telephone & Telegraph. It comprises most of the state, divided into two general areas: (1) Downstate (Manhattan, Bronx and Westchester in one area, and Long Island in the other), and (2) Upstate (everywhere else).

Of the \$500,000 ad budget for 1956, SPONSOR estimates the company will spend over \$160,000 for tv and \$40,000 for radio. Downstate about 55% will go for air media (with a 4-to-1 ratio in favor of tv), 20% for newspaper, 15% for carcards, and 10% for outdoor. Upstate, where no radio is used, tv will get about 70% of the outlay, newspaper 20%, and bus cards 10%.

"The best way to show how to use

the directory," says Leonard, "is to dramatize how others have done so successfully. Testimonials. We use this technique in all our media, but to does it with the most impact. It lends itself more to entertainment and is painlessly educational at the same time."

This approach is two-fold, including (1) straight films of ordinary citizens telling how they used the yellow pages to answer a personal need, and (2) zany animations of legendary characters shown actually working out their problems with the help of the classified.

Since the directory lists everything from dance instructors to wheel chairs, the whole family provides the target. And since the basic theme, "The easy way to find it fast," remains constant, the company wants the largest undu-

plicated audience it can get. Programs, for a number of reasons to be mentioned later, are out at least for the present.

In the downstate area the firm latched onto participations on Million Dollar Movie (WOR-TV) in September 1954 and has been on it since, 39 weeks a year. Surveys show that, over the week, M\$M reaches 50% of all tv homes in New York, with little duplication, since the same picture is repeated all week long. Along with the 8 other participating sponsors, New York Telephone gets 16 one-minute announcements and 16 billboards a week. In 1955 the company also took 20-second spots before the Yankee and Giant baseball games, probably won't repeat that this year, because, as Leonard explains, "We prefer a full minute to tell our story."

Tv upstate consists of nine announcements (four minutes and five 20s) a week, 52 weeks a year, in six markets: Binghamton, Buffalo, Schenectady, Syracuse, Utica, and Watertown.

Radio downstate is concentrated entirely in sponsorship of 22 weather reports over WNEW, which delivers close to five million listener-impressions a week. Announcements (20-second breaks) are written with time of day, day of week, and week of year in mind and BBDO delivers 22 new scripts each week. On a given Satur-

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Elsewhere: 20-second tv animations lead out of rearrangement of letters in yellow pages





Hi Mr. Jeweler

Anson has done it again
this time with their
sensational "PORT OF CALL" collection — the most strikingly different men's jewelry ever designed.

Bert Parks

This year the new "STOP THE MUSIC" is breaking all records on television. Each week more than **8,000,000** people watch "STOP THE MUSIC" regularly, because they can get into the act . . . win a fabulous collection of prizes. Starting with the **February 2nd** broadcast Anson's "PORT OF CALL" collections will be powerfully promoted by one of the finest TV commercials ever assembled. Watch for it. Don't miss it!

How Anson gets impact among jewe is



Anson uses show to build store traffic,
good will among retail jewelers. Firm s
out colorful point-of-sale mailings tying in show
plus entry blanks for show contestants.

18 months, Anson has received 10 million entrices.

Can you afford network television on a \$450,000 budget?

Anson Jewelry finds you can; firm doubled ad sales with alternate-week sponsorship of "Stop the Music" top merchandising, dealer tie-ins

Can a relative newcomer to tv with less than \$500,000 to spend afford a half-hour network tv show of his own?

Sounds like a pretty tall order in these days of \$500,000 one-shots, but Anson Jewelry managed to do exactly that and double its sales volume within one-and-a-half years of buying its show.

The program is Stop the Music, ABC TV, Thursdays 8:30-9:00 p.m. Anson actually contracted for 20 out of 39 telecasts between September 1955 and

June 1956. The firm shares its 20 with two other advertisers in an unusual arrangement. Despite the split in commercial time, however, this men's jewelry manufacturer averaged nearly 34% sales increases in 1955 over 1954, actually doubled its sales since beginning sponsorship of the show in September 1954.

"Our entire consumer budget is in this show," Olof Anderson, Anson's president, told sponsor. "So there's no doubt in our mind as to where the sales results come from."

Stop the Music is Anson's first long-term network tv effort. It grew out of a network time availability Anson's ad manager, Bill Coulthurst, uncovered. Back in fall 1954 he learned that his agency, Grey Advertising, had a "franchise" on a half-hour on ABC-TV, Tuesdays 10:30-11:00 p.m. Anson was shopping for reasonable network tv exposure that would identify its massappeal jewelry line with a light entertainment vehicle.

The right kind of audience was a major consideration for Anson. Unlike its chief competitor, Swank Jewelry, Anson derives 90% of its sales out of retail jewelry stores, 10% from other outlets. It's known in the jewelry trade that 85% of low- and medium-priced men's jewelry is bought by women.

Anson's consumer advertising, therefore, had a dual aim: (1) building store traffic; (2) making men sufficiently "glamor-conscious" to motivate their women to buy.

"We heard that CBS had a Lou Cowan package on its hands for which it couldn't clear time," Coulthurst told sponsor. "Stop the Music appealed to us. It had a solid track record from radio days and the kind of audience composition we wanted. A 1954 study pointed out that the show was the 19th most popular tv show with women. We bought i tand put it on ABC TV."

CBS, co-owners of Stop the Music, released the tv show for exposure on ABC TV, but kept the radio portion of the program on CBS Radio Tuesdays 8:30-9:00 p.m. Exquisite Form Bra (also through Grey Advertising) who wanted a network tv show as much as Anson did, agreed to take the show on alternate weeks on ABC TV during the first year, and picked up alternate-week sponsorship of the program on CBS Radio from 24 August 1954 through 8 February 1955.

Anson and two other Grey Advertising clients formed Quality Goods (name for buying group of three advertisers), and together picked up one segment of the network radio show, Tuesdays 8:45-9:00 p.m., alternating with Exquisite Form during a 24-week period. The first quarter-hour on Anson's night on CBS Radio was sustaining. From February on, Anson and the other Grey agency accounts who'd been been co-sponsored kept only the ABC TV show.

"On network tv, Stop the Music's been averaging about a 13 Nielsen." says Coulthurst. "And our commercials have been getting into about 5.5 million homes."

From the start, the sponsor became an intrinsic part of the show format. In order to be a potential telephone contestant whom m.c. Bert Parks might call, viewers have to send in entry blanks. Anson sent 100 entry blanks to each of 26.000 retailer jewelers with a card for reorders before it began sponsorship.

"Almost immediately, the trade had proof that our show was building store traffic for them," says Coulthurst. "Since we've been on *Stop the Music*, 10 million Anson entry blanks have been sent in to the show. We've averaged 18,000 entries a week."

Both Anderson and Coulthurst feel that this 10 million is an extraordinarily high figure and one that in itself would justify their sponsorship of the show.

"Retail jewelers realize that half the fight's in getting people into the store," says Anderson. "And there's a psychological block to be overcome. Women will wander through depart-



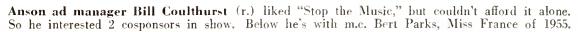
Olof Anderson, president, started Anson in 1945, built \$22.5 million sales with net tv

ment stores, but they're not as likely to walk into a specialty shop without having definite intention to buy."

By the end of Anson's first tv season, solid sales gains had become apparent. Sales in the first five months of 1955 were 50% above the comparable period in 1954. During the remainder of the year there was a 28% sales increase. Average for the year came to some 34% over 1954, bringing Anson's total 1955 sales volume up to \$22.5 million in retail value.

Anson's commercials are straight forward and contain a lot of hard sell. Generally cartoon and live-film combinations, they expose viewers to as many medium-priced (under \$35) tie-clip, cuff-link combinations as possible in one minute. Copy is written to emphasize Anson's major advertising aims: (1) popularize the name and trademark; (2) identify Anson with "quality merchandise."

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Hit 'em where they live





Your market is moving! Census figures show that suburbs have grown seven times as fast as cities during the past five years. Unless you go out there after them you're likely to miss up to half of your market—and the big-spending half, at that.

That's why you need the big 50,000 watt WBC radio stations. WBC stations go far beyond the

city limits. WBC stations have the power, the programs, the coverage, the audience. They save you the trouble and expense of buying three or four other stations to do the job *one* of them will do for you. Talk it over, *soon*, with Alexander W. "Bink" Dannenbaum, Jr., WBC National Sales Manager, MUrray Hill 7-0808, New York. Or call your nearest WBC station.

WESTINGHOUSE BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

RADIO

BOSTON-WBZ+WBZA
PITTSBURGH-KDKA
CLEVELAND-KYW
FORT WAYNE-WOWO
PORTLAND-KEX

TELEVISION

BOSTON — WBZ-TV

PITTSBURGH — KDKA-TV

CLEVELAND — KYW-TV

CLEVELAND—KYW-TV SAN FRANCISCO—KPIX

KPIX REPRESENTED BY THE KATZ AGENCY, INC.

ALL OTHER WBC STATIONS REPRESENTED BY PETERS, GRIFFIN, WOODWARD, INC.

NOW FEB. ARB's SHOW WE'VE CUT THE CAKE IN TWO!

KTBS-TV, in just five months of telecasting, has cut the audience cake in two in the great Shreveport Market!

In those prime nighttime hours between 7:00 and 10:30 KTBS-TV LEADS in 49 out of 98 quarter hours . . . and from 6 p.m. to sign off, KTBS-TV LEADS in 72 quarter hours.*

A few choice availabilities left! So . . . check with your Petry Man immediately!

And if you are interested in getting the housewife, KTBS-TV LEADS in 82% of the afternoon quarter hours devoted to the lady shopper.* The KTBS-TV Package Plan makes these high-rated spots available for as little as \$11.00.

*February 1956 ARB Shreveport Area Survey.

- NOW 200,000 TV SETS IN THIS GREAT MARKET
- 1153-FT. TOWER
- MAXIMUM POWER

KTBS-TV

CHANNEL



SHREVEPORT, LA. NBC and ABC

E. NEWTON WRAY, President and General Mgr. Represented Nationally by EDWARD PETRY & CO., INC.

New developments on SPONSOR stories



See: Part II Can you set up the ideal media test?

Issue: 8 March 1954

Subject: The possibility of accurately evaluating the pull of a medium

Between April of 1953 and June 1954, sponsor ran an exhaustive (the word is not used loosely) series of 26 articles under the general title All Media Evaluation Study. Measurement of the effectiveness of the various media, as well as the reliability of the means of testing effectiveness, were questions asked repeatedly throughout the study. Installment 18 of the series, which was part II of Can you set up an ideal media test?, drew the conclusion that doing so was just a matter of time. Elsewhere in the same article a breakdown of the kinds of testing that 143 agencies and advertisers used put "sales results" at the top of the list. "Test markets, coupons, rating services, use of different media in different cities, surveys, keyed response and public response" followed in that order.

This chart showed that most agencies and advertisers were concerned with media effectiveness but that the testing methods varied almost with each agency. Chief method used, although not shown, was "experience" or rule of thumb. Just about everyone agreed that some means of reliable testing was definitely needed though none was yet available.

A. C. Nielsen has come up with at least a partial answer to the media questions placed by SPONSOR. In its January '56 issue of The Researcher, it published an article titled Share Trends—a Progress Report. It shows how Nielsen has used share-of-market analyses to determine the success of a client's product, as indicated by his share of the market compared with that of his competitors.

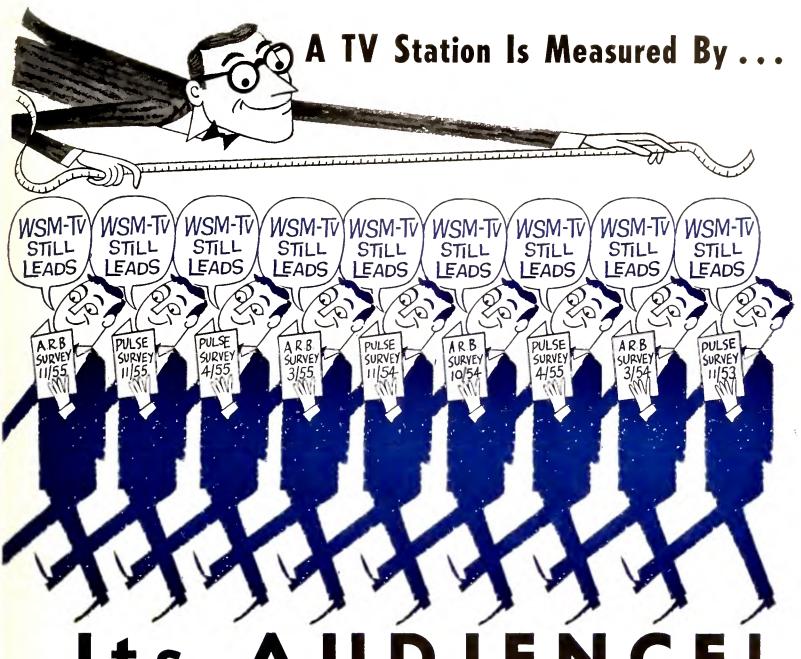
Using an anonymous client as an example of how tv's advertising effectiveness can be tested, Nielsen split the client's sales areas into tv and non-tv, then it proceeded to analyze sales volume and shares for an 18 month period prior to the start of the client's advertising program. In evaluating the sales trends after the start of tv advertising, "allowance had to be made for differences in distribution, in the volume of special consumer deals (both by the client and his competitor) and in the amount of the competitor's advertising." The results of the survey showed that the client's share trend was stronger in the tv areas than in the non-tv areas in all but one case. In that region, the telecast was at a different and less satisfactory hour than in the rest of the country.

A graph by Nielsen showed that in tv areas the share-of-market increased by an average of 6% for the U.S. while the average increase for non-tv markets was 0%. In tv markets, share increases ranged as high as 21% while in one non-tv area the figure dropped as much as 4% in share of market.

The client's ad program, according to Nielsen, cost approximately \$2,000,000 per year and it was helping to support a \$20,000,000 a year business. The net cost of the survey was about \$4,000 or 1/5 of 1% of the client's stake in the program under consideration.

In summing up such tests Nielsen points out that "there can be tests in terms of area; that is, doing something in one area which is different from the program in another area—or tests in terms of time; that is, making some change in strategy for a brief period of time. In either event it is important that the effect be measured if the management is to learn from the experience."

"Research can aid in the skillful use of advertising media," says Nielsen, "by: 1. coordinating media coverage and consumer sales records for individual commodity lines and brand shares; 2. making optimum use of the media. such as proper location of commercials on radio and tv programs; and 3. evaluating the effectiveness of the advertising by comparisons with market trends."



...Its AUDIENCE!

Of the top 10 shows in this three-station market, 7 are on WSM-TV... Survey by A.R.B., November, 1955

That's the latest in a long parade of ratings—all of which showed WSM-TV far out in front. By every audience yardstick, WSM-TV is clearly Nashville's #1 TV station—and always has been. A rating of this market by The Pulse, Inc., was taken also in November, 1955, immediately preceding the A.R.B. rating cited above. Using a much larger sample of homes, it reflected even more favorably on WSM-TV, reporting that 9 of the

top 10 multi-weekly shows and 10 of the top 15 once-a-week shows are on WSM-TV.

And when it comes to comparing TV stations, there's no substitute for audience.

There *are* other important yardsticks, of course—coverage, sales results, experience, initiative, public service, and programming (to name just a few). In these respects, too, WSM-TV still leads. For proof of this, watch for our sequel ads in this "Measuring A TV Station" series.

WSM-TV

Channel 4 Nashville, Tennessee NBC-TV Affiliate

Clearly Nashville's *1 TV Station

IRVING WAUGH, Commercial Manager
EDWARD PETRY & CO., National Advertising Representatives

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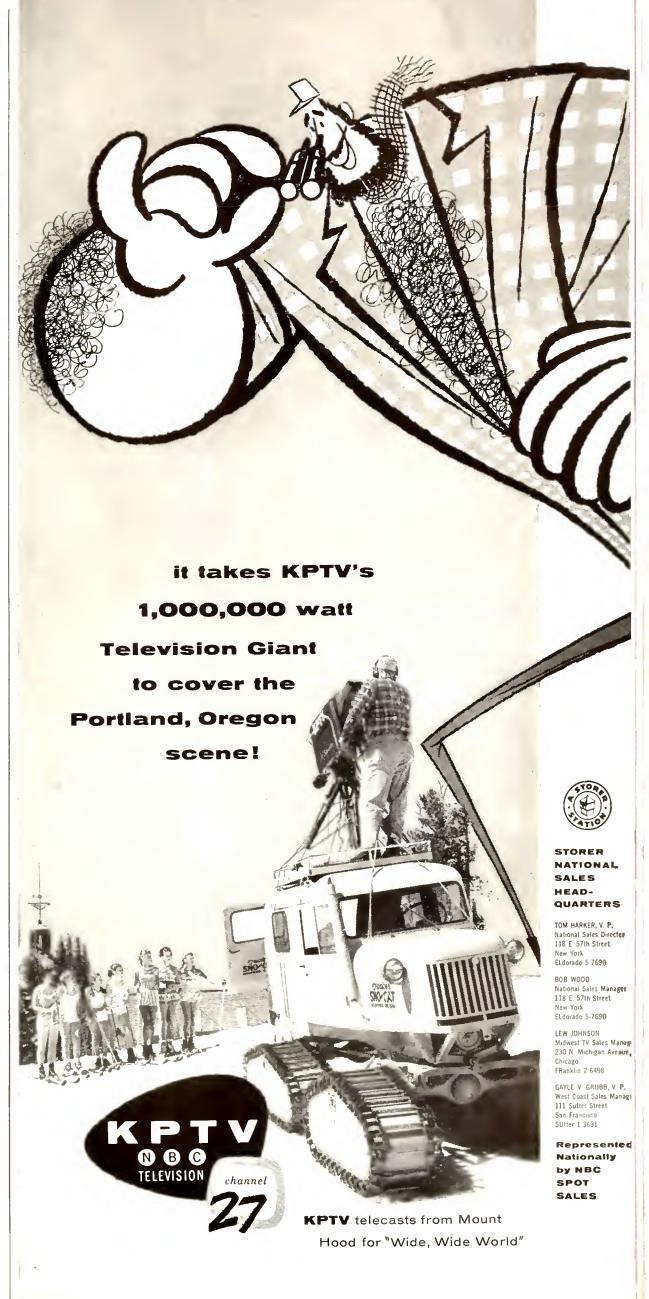
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COLD RELIEVER

SPONSOR: Anahist Co.

AGENCY: Ted Bates

capsule case History: A sales increase of 81% in KRON-TV's area is reported by Anahist Co., an organization that spends most of its advertising allowance in the broadcast media. The company had consistently used late evening participations in a five-a-week mystery strip. Recently, it was reported that August through December, 1955 volume topped sales for the same months of the previous year by 81%. Says the company, "Anahist is having a terrific season in the KRON-TV market."

KRON-TV, San Francisco, Cal.

PROGRAM: Participations



JEWELRY STORE

SPONSOR: The Time Shop

AGENCY: Direct

CAPSULE CASE HISTORY: The Time Shop, principal jewelry store in Chico, was among the first of the local businesses to advertise on tv. Previous advertising consisted mainly of radio and some newspaper space. For 112 consecutive weeks the store sponsored a 15 minute dramatic show. In its first year the shop doubled its gross sales, with 98% of the ad budget going to the \$105-a-week show. The television commercials increased Wyler watch sales over 500% and sales of Flexlet Watch Bands over 450%.

KHSL-TV, Chico, Cal.

PROGRAM: Public Prosecutor

SPRAY GUN KIT

SPONSOR: Labor Savers

AGENCY: Television Advertising Associates

CAPSULE CASE HISTORY: KGMB-TV was one of 200 stations regularly scheduling a 15 minute film twice weekly. Within the first five and a half weeks, 644 spray gun kits were ordered through the program at \$19.95 each. In pointing out that a great volume of sales is rare for that particular item, the agency said KGMB-TV's record was "tops." The cost of the first ten telecasts to the advertiser was \$810 or \$81 per telecast.

KGMB-TV, Honolulu, Hawaii

PROGRAM: Films

SOFT DRINK

SPONSOR: Squirt-Detroit Bottling AGENCY: Boylhart, vell & ear

capsule case history: The company used a pad range of media throughout 1955, including televion and newspaper advertising. Twice weekly it spon ed a five minute weather forecast titled Miss Fairwe her from 11:15 to 11:20, following the 11 o'clock vs. From October to December, all advertising exce, the was dropped. Nevertheless, sales increased by the during a normally quiet period in the beverage indirection.

WJBK-TV, Detroit, Mich.

PROGRAM: Miss Fairw her

USED CARS

SPONSOR: Town & Country Motors

AGENCY: 6

CAPSULE CASE HISTORY: Selling cars these da is as tough a job as any retailer could want and all he resources available to the dealer must be used. levision proved its worth recently to the manager of Liston, Idaho's Town and Country Motors when the mpany started sponsorship of a local Friday evening (100.9:05) newscast. The very next day two cars were day as a direct result of the newscast and twice as the people as usual were on the lot. Cost per broadcast: 8.

KLEW-TV, Lewiston, Idaho

PROGRAM: Nev ast

SALAD MIXER

SPONSOR: Grant Co.

AGENCY: Arthur Mey of

CAPSULE CASE HISTORY: Sometimes the pull of announcement does more than sell. In this instanct showed the strength of a time of day previously tho be to be weak. Grant Co. bought a participation in a Sunday Theatre which runs from noon until one pm of offered a \$4.00 salad mixer by mail. In 15 weeks a company received 1,168 orders for the item, gross \$4,672 for an outlay of \$506.25 Bruce McGorrily WCSH-TV points out that the afternoon spot has predexcellent family time.

WCSH-TV, Portland, Maine

PROGRAM: Particip 31

NEW CARS

SPONSOR: Pollard Motors

AGENCY: De

CAPSULE CASE HISTORY: The debut of the '56 Ft's was the occasion for Pollard Motors to purchase a stration spot campaign over WSEE-TV. It was the hop James D. Pollard that he would move 21 cars with three day campaign, using to exclusively. The number of cars sold, however, topped the target figure by figure as sold, however, topped the target figure by figure to the sales was attributed to WSEE-Cost of the drive to Pollard Motors was \$400. Esponsor plans additional use of television.

WSEE-TV, Erie, Pa.

PROGRAM: Announcer

STANDOUT.



That's what your product message can now be in this great Industrial Heart of America when you enlist the help of WSAZ-TV's new, fully-equipped facilities for color telecasting. As the nation's 12th non-network-owned station to install complete color equipment, WSAZ-TV now offers viewers in five states the standout programming of network color shows, plus films, slides and live local color production.

Take full advantage of WSAZ-TV's exciting, new colorcasting. The nearest Katz office can paint you the whole bright picture.



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What Makes a Radio Station Great?

SERVICE to Rural Listeners!

Venezuela Got Its Hogs

The Breeders Got a Premium



When representatives of the Venezuelan government recently came to Texas to buy 1080 purebred hogs they were faced with a problem. Within three weeks they had to locate an exact number of certain breeds in certain weights.

Head of the Texas Swine Breeders' Association thought immediately of Murray Cox, WFAA's well-known farm editor. Tracked down at Texas A & M College, Cox put out a hurry call on his farm program broadcasts.

Result: Venezuela got its hogs on time, the swine breeders got a premium on the sale, and Murray Cox added another "mission accomplished" to his long list.

Cox's excellent farm news and market reports are responsible for the fact that 42.1% of North Texans having a station preference say that the best farm news is on WFAA.* This is a mighty prosperous audience and a mighty productive market—we might add.

If you want to sell them—or any other North Texas market ... ask your Petry man about WFAA.

*Whan Study — A. C. Nielsen, N.S.I.



WFAA

is a great radio station Edward S. Petry & Co., Representative Continued from page 8

AGENCY AD LIBS



is constantly regaling me with what Arthur did today or Garry or Ernie but when I get a glint in my eye, she quickly changes the subject to how bad the kids were or the amount of increase in the price of lamb chops.

The children, riveting themselves to the screen as they do so they cannot be pried loose even to say hello to Daddy when he comes home, are probably not very faithful at filling out diaries either—which, of course, must tend to cheat the kid shows.

Despite the vagaries of our techniques and the discrepancies therein, I must say we should all be thankful that we have them. At least, there are *indications* of popularity made apparent to us. For all the fallacies these may provoke, it is quite apparent that there is basic agreement as to which shows are really up there and which should be sent back to the Three-Eye League for more work.

I cannot subscribe to the carpings of those critics (usually paid by the newspapers) who take the business apart for paying such heed to ratings since the substitute they seem to suggest would be their judgment, a set of criteria which I daresay would be the biggest help to newspaper circulation since the invention of the axe-murder.

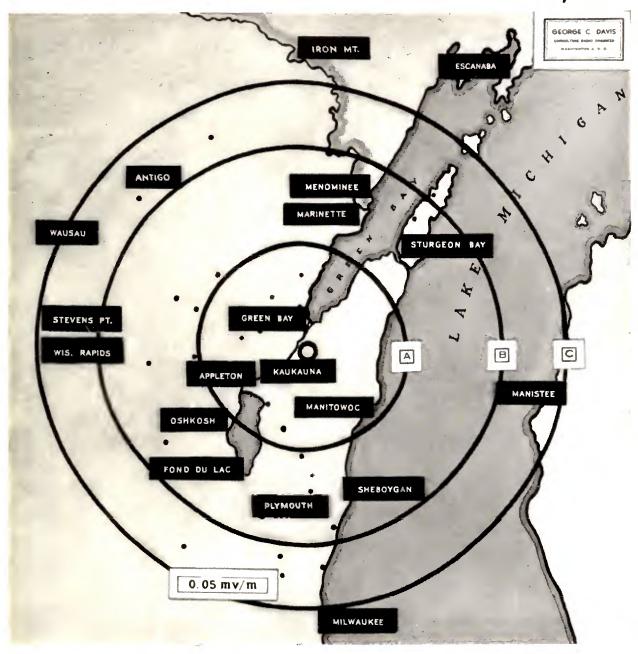
True, a slavish following of ratings which sets off panic and convenes script meetings when the reports show a fraction-of-a-point decline is absurd. Also the size of the potential tv market makes it possible these days to be somewhat selective in audience and on occasions to trade *numbers* of people for *kind* of people. This type of scrutiny often shows an astute advertiser that his 20 rating is a lot more valuable to him than the 30 his competition has. On the other side of that coin, he probably realizes that what he would have to do, show-wise, to build his rating another 10 points would cause him to lose the basic appeal his show now has and make it that much less valuable a property by so doing.

No practitioner of the business (in contrast to the Monday morning quarterbacks) can help but feel grateful that he does have at his fingertips such speedy tabulations as the telegraphic Trendex, the clear and concise and complete data as presented in the Nielsen and ARB pocket pieces, and such other basic information as Viewers Per Set, Audience Composition, Flow Charts, regardless of the method by which these are obtained.

We all recognize that our answers are not perfect. They are, however, indicative and when trying to join Biz and Show Biz in unholy wedlock, as we spend our lives trying to do, it's nice to have a few inklings as to how we are doing. Nobody need get panicky or be blinded by them.

I must conclude this now, since I see that the new Nielsen was just placed in my incoming box and the cold sweat in my palm makes it impossible to continue to hold a pencil. ***

Channel 2 runs rings around... the Land of Milk and Honey!

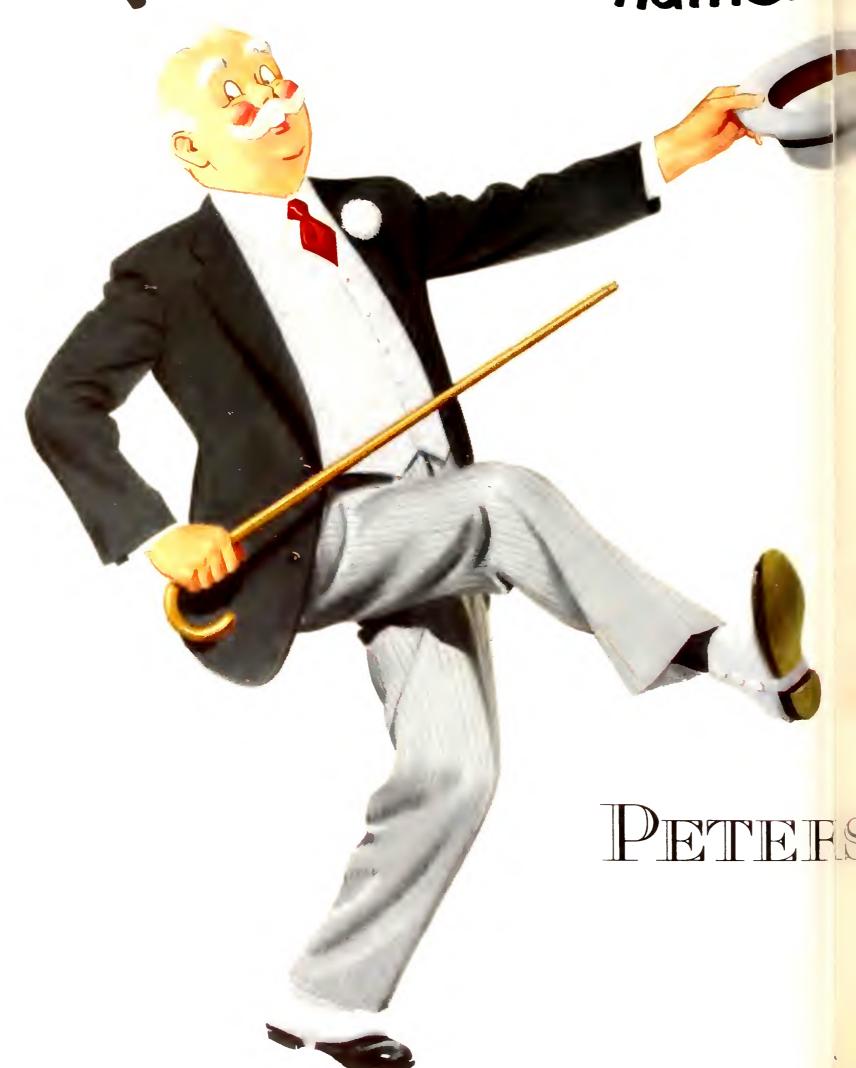


... and nearly a million people live within that "B" ring!

Yep-Bigger'n Baltimore!



YDN P EVANS Gen Mge Rep WEED TELEVISION We salute a new name...



PETERS, GRIFFIN, WOODWARD, INC.

Today* all we Colonels and Colonelettes bow our congratulations to Lloyd Griffin and Russel Woodward as their names go on the door. Woody and Griff have been active management partners in this company for many years. Their contributions to whatever success we have achieved — have earned them this important recognition. We look forward to the future determined to even better serve our stations — and advertisers and their agencies from coast to coast.

We are grateful, too, to James L. Free whose vision and foresight founded this company and enable us to say:

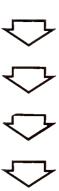
"Pioneer Station Representatives Since 1932".

President

RIFFIN, WOODWARD, INC.

NEW YORK ◆ CHICAGO ◆ ATLANTA ◆ DETROIT

FT. WORTH ◆ HOLLYWOOD ◆ SAN FRANCISCO

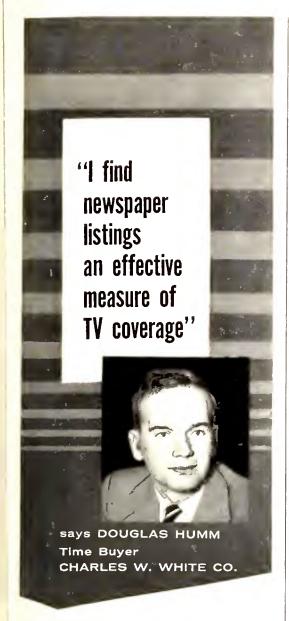


TO
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STEWARDS
OF A CLIENT'S
BUDGET

know. The mounting costs of television time place upon you an increasingly greater responsibility. Not only does your program have to be good, and your selection of time for the program be carefully made—but, in any given market, you have got to have it on the right station. If maximum return from a client's TV investment is to be obtained, *coverage* is the absolute requisite. In television today, the "bargain basement" is the most expensive place to trade.

The great AREA station
of the Southeast
Atlanta, Georgia

Affiliated with The Atlanta Journal and Constitution. NBC affiliate. Represented by Petry.



"WNHC-TV's listings in nearly one hundred newspapers in Conn., Mass., and New York is my cue that this station rates with almost a million TV families. Canny newsmen hitch their circulation to WNHC — television's brightest star in the rich Southern New England market. Their readers demand it. With that kind of coverage and viewer loyalty WNHC-TV is really a buy!'



Represented by Katz Agency, Inc.

COVERS CONNECTICUT COMPLETELY

316,000 WATTS MAXIMUM POWER
Pop. Ser. 3,564,150-TV Homes 948,702



agency profile

Anthony DePierro

V.p., media director Lennen & Newell, New York

During the past few years, Tony DePierro, L&N's media director, has reorganized the agency's media department with a view toward streamlining it.

"Spot buying is expensive to handle correctly in an agency, and expensive to the client unless it is done as efficiently as possible," says he. "Good channels of communication and top buyers in the agency can mean the difference between a successful campaign and a lukewarm effort to a client. Our integrated organization makes it possible for us to send our buyers on enough field trips to consolidate friendships with stationmen and thereby improve our client's schedules."

Here's how DePierro's media department operates: Under him are four media supervisors, each with a print and broadcast buyer. The supervisors are all-media men; their buyers, specialists.

"Actually, three media groups would be ample for an agency this size." he told SPONSOR. "But our set-up gives us more margin for growth. I estimate that each of our current media groups could efficiently handle some \$16 million in billings."

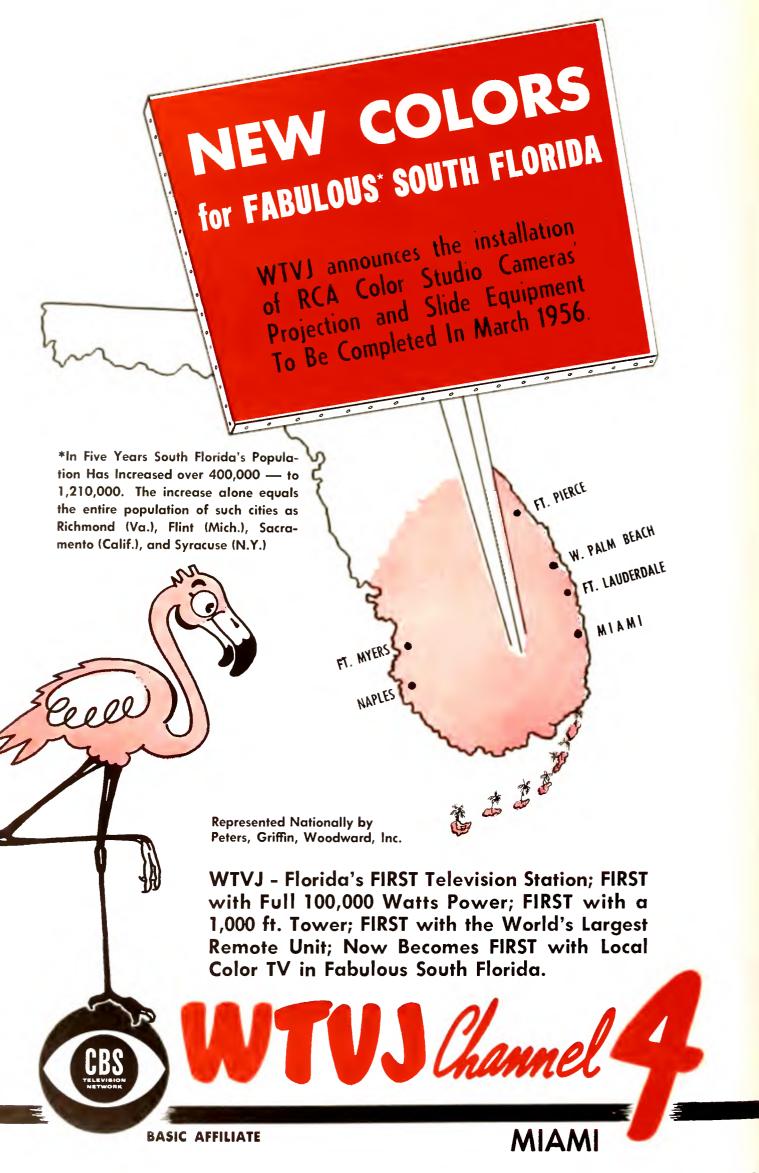
Lennen & Newell billings were around \$40 million for 1955.

"We hit on this system after pretty thorough researching of the methods of operation in other major agencies," DePierro says. "Originally, radio-tv buying and print buying were totally separated and the account executives had to coordinate the planning. They felt that this extra work took too much of their time. They prefer our current method."

At the same time, DePierro does not feel that integration can successfully be carried to the buyer level. "Broadcast media are too complicated and are bought on different principles from print media. We like buyers of each medium to have some familiarity with the others, but we don't want to burden them with all media responsibilities. Still, we do think in terms of grooming supervisors from among our buyers."

In his Westport home, DePierro is grooming at least one other adman. The eldest of his five children is currently studying journalism at Syracuse with an eye on Madison Avenue upon graduation.

"I just hope he has no illusions about the tough beginnings. Last summer, he made \$70 a week as a gardner. In our agency, he'd be more likely to start at \$40 a week."



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SPONSOR BACKSTAGE



team. RCA, of course, has issued its annual statement for 1955, and did (as I said they would a half year ago) easily pass the billion mark for the first time. The key to RCA's success, I think, was revealed in one sentence: "A total of 80% of the Corporation's sales in 1955 were in products and services which did not exist, or were not commercially developed 10 years ago. . ." This is the most graphic kind of tribute to General David Sarnoff's vision and courage as reflected in the tremendous research and engineering program he fathered at RCA; and to Frank Folsom's fabulous ability to merchandise these new products.

And speaking of the General, I hope telecasters will give heed to his remarks that there is some danger of the medium's becoming the present day neighborhood movie house, specializing in "B" and lesser quickies. With the Elliot Hyman group (Associated Artists Production) right on the verge of paying Warner Bros. some \$20,000,000 for close to 1,000 feature length films and cartoons (all pre-1949) coming on top of the recent Tom O'Neill purchase of some \$15,000,000 worth of old RKO product, the industry faces the situation of having about \$37,000,000 worth of old movies available. And we're ignoring the mere \$100,000 and \$200,000 deals perking on all sides. Certainly some of these older films are fine entertainment and have their place on tv. But I'm with the General. If this is to be tv, I'll take the Bijou.

And if these multi-million dollar purchases of major film products continue, will they affect toll-tv's chances.

Talking of toll-tv, were you as flabbergasted as I to hear about FCC Commissioner Robert E. Lee's piece in Look, urging that the public have a chance to test toll-tv for itself? Every man's entitled to his own opinion, of course, and even to express it in a national magazine, but with an FCC official decision still pending, isn't it a little odd for a Commissioner to make a pro-toll pitch in a major national magazine? I'm only asking.

And I'm not asking, I'm suggesting on another much more important subject, that possibly the segregation issue is much too touchy, much too complex for disk jockeys to become involved. I understand that Al Benson, a jockey on WGES, Chicago, hired a plane a while back to drop copies of the Constitution over Jackson, Mississippi and that Al English of WSUH, Oxford, Miss., is retaliating by dropping copies of the Confederate flag over Chicago. I submit that this issue isn't one to play games with, and if I were running a radio station I'd ask my jockeys to play records and read commercials, and restrict their participation in the segregation situation to a few quiet prayers that it'll all work out gradually without violence and bloodshed.



BIG AGGIE LAND





Well, not exactly love letters, but the next best thing. You see, during 1955 WNAX-570 received a whopping total of 202,960 pieces of mail—155,117

of which were specifically addressed to local commercial programs. This mail came from all over Big Aggie Land and beyond—a total of 428 counties, 11 states and Canada.

Such an overwhelming testimonial of affection makes the WNAX-570 talent team and program director blush with joy. They know the 654,800 rural and medium-to-small town families in Big Aggie Land have definite ideas about radio entertainment.

Translated into advertising importance, that means WNAX-570 gives national advertisers what they want, too. Programs people like and listen to—popular shows that sell. Your Katz representative is the man to see.

*TV Penetration National—69% Big Aggie Land—37%

Radio Penetration in Big Aggie Land— 98%



WNAX-570

Yankton, So. Dakota
A Cowles Station, Don
D. Sullivan, Advertising
Director. Under the
same management as
KVTV Channel 9, Sioux
City—lowa's 2nd largest
market.

CBS Radio





WHO REMINDS THEM TO REMEMBER?

13,714 women in an Advertest survey* told us...

On the day they go to supermarkets: Before entering the store, for every 18 shoppers who read magazines, every 55 who watched television, every 81 who read newspapers... 100 shoppers heard radio.

In time spent with all four media on the shopping day: Before entering the store, for every 5 minutes spent with magazines, every 32 minutes with television, every 16 minutes with newspapers...shoppers spent one hour and 10 minutes with radio.

<u>During the hour</u> before they shop: For every 7 shoppers who read magazines, every 50 who watched television, every 21 who read newspapers...100 heard radio.

Day. Time. Hour. Radio is their favorite pre-shopping companion. Now...where do they listen most?

In the 10 biggest markets, the most popular daytime radio programs[†] are network programs (71 out of 100). And of these 71 shows, 68 are on the CBS Radio Network!

Who reminds them to remember? Radio does. CBS Radio.

THE CBS RADIO NETWORK

^{*}A 1955 survey in supermarkets in 4 metropolitan areas covered by all medio. †Pulse, Nov-Dec 1955, 10 cities with largest number of metropolitan area families, Sales Management, 1955.



The World's
Largest
Microphone!

"BIG MIKE STUDIO"
BIG MIKE No. 2"

"BIG MIKE No. 2"—K-NUZ's secand and newest radio station on wheels was born o Chevrolet Namod Statian wagon. The custam built broadcasting equipment in "Big Mike Na. 2" enables K-NUZ to broadcost disc jackey shows direct fram ony paint in Houstan. The fidelity of musical broadcasts from "Big Mike Studio" is the talk of the Houston radia world.

"BIG MIKE STUDIO"—The Warld's Largest Microphone is aver 14 feet high, and is an exact scale model of the "newsman's mike". "Big Mike Studia" is equipped with turntables and a complete console. The leather uphalstered and fully carpeted interior is large enough so that a disc jackey can interview as many as faur people in air conditioned comfort. Together with "Big Mike No. 2", it makes a complete and self-sufficient Radia Station on wheels. Now, greater than ever ON THE SPOT COVERAGE means MORE SALES . . . WILL MOVE MORE MERCHANDISE . . . AT NO INCREASED COST!



"BIG MIKE No. 1"

In addition to K-NUZ's five-man news staff, "Big Mike Na. 1" is a well-known "news persanality" in Hauston. Wherever news is being mode, HOUSTONIANS LOOK TO "BIG MIKE" for complete caverage FIRST . . . and they get it . . . ON THE SPOT.

K-NUZ

"Houston's 24-Hour Music & News"
NAT'L REPS.—FORJOE AND CO.
IN HOUSTON, CALL DAVE MORRIS

JAckson 3-2581

STILL HOUSTON'S TOP RATED INDEPENDENT
BY EVERY SURVEY!

49TH & MADISON

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third line of page 111, the 20 February issue of SPONSOR, crediting TvB with a budget near \$7 million.

As you know, our revenue is 1/10th this amount. However, we hope that a few months from now our annual revenues will run into seven figures, when you will be able to substitute a 1 for the 7.

OLIVER TREYZ
President
TvB; New York, N. Y.

BUDGET SLIDE RULE

We were much interested in the "Radio results" case history from WKZO, Kalamazoo, describing use of a budget slide rule on the Coffee Club show. This happens to be an item we syndicate by arrangements with the North Pacific Bank Note Company, the manufacturers. May we have your permission to reprint this article and include it in our direct-mail promotional material? Naturally, we'll credit sponsor; and we are, of course, subscribers to your fine magazine.

Enisse Chimes
Karl G. Behr Advertising
Detroit, Michigan

• The "Radio Results" to which Reader Chimes refers appears on page 41 of the 26 December 1955 issue.

EDITORIAL MATTER

As president of the Texas Association of Broadcasters, I want to thank you for the applause you have given to our Association in your editorial page of sponsor's 20 February issue. We deeply appreciate your comments. We are proud to take the lead in this campaign on behalf of radio listening, and most happy to share it with other state associations.

RICHMAN LEWIN
President
Texas Assoc. of Broadcasters
Lufkin, Texas

ALPHABETICALLY SPEAKING

The abbreviation ARB in the article "What's with the tv set count these days?" in the 20 February issue of SPONSOR (page 40) has me stymied. I am not, unfortunately, one of the initiated. Can you help me?

Marguerite A. Zulick Commercial Research Farm Journal Philadelphia, Pa.

• Sorry! ARB stands for American Research Bureau which headquarters in Washington, D. C. They specialize in tv research.

Bolline RADIO delivers more for the money



These *inland* radio stations, purchased as a unit, give you more listeners than any competitive combination of local stations . . . and at the lowest cost per thousand! (SAMS and SR&D)

In this inland market — ringed by mountains — the Beeline covers an area with over 2 million people, more buying power than Colorado, more farm income than Kansas. (Sales Management's 1955 Copyrighted Survey)



McClatchy Broadcasting Company

SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA · Paul H. Raymer Co., National Representative

SPONSOR Asks...

to air advertisers and their agencies a forum on questions of current interest

What is the potential of closed circuit tv

for advertising meetings





Arthur E. Durham Vice President Fuller & Smith & Ross New York, N. Y.

TO DATE, IT'S ALL POTENTIAL

• To date, closed circuit television seems to be all potential and only slight actuality. Relatively few manufacturers have taken advantage of the singular values provided by this newest form of communication, and this is surprising since the values are clearly measurable and should dictate an extensive use of closed circuit meetings for various reasons.

In considering its potential for inter-agency use by major advertising agencies, however, I am not sure the same benefits prevail.

Let's Took at all the plus values which can be recommended to clients and determine the extent of their application to agencies.

First, closed circuit meetings, presentations or promotions as used by American industry have these inherent advantages:

A. Ability to generate an *instantaneous* nation-wide enthusiasm for a given activity, campaign or idea. Old techniques of holding local meetings in cities across the nation must, by necessity, take up many weeks and lose all sense of spontaneity.

B. Ability to reach all sales groups or customer groups of a company simultaneously and with greater econoning than any other method.

C. Ability to make use of top management personnel in one single closed circuit presentation as compared with impracticality of having such executives cover many local individual meetings in many different cities.

Since closed circuit facilities and rental of cable from AT&T are not inexpensive and since none of the above advantages apply to any degree to agency operations it is doubtful that this method of communication really holds forth any great advantages for the future.

If, however, facilities could be installed and operated on a regular and continuous basis within agencies at considerably smaller costs than now pertain there is little doubt that agencies could gain much more effective preparation of campaigns and promotions than is now possible.



Richard S. Reibold Supervisor of Closed Circuit Operation, BBDO New York, N. Y.

WE'VE USED IT AND ARE SOLD

• In answer to your question relative to the future of closed circuit

television, from an agency point of view, let me relate the following:

First of all, it is a service to the client encompassing many uses, including stockholder meetings, conventions, sales meetings and introduction of new lines to dealers and distributors.

It is a comparatively new medium, but a rapidly growing one. In the first few months of this year we have had inquiries from various clients as to how closed circuit can benefit them. Several of these have resulted in commitments to prepare a program.

Regarding the potential of closed circuit tv for sponsors, I'd like to mention color television.

Right now, there are only two cities in which color is available on monitors—New York and Chicago—although it can be made available in any location. The advent of closed circuit color will increase the desirability of this medium.

In many cases, closed circuit is more economical and effects greater savings as compared to the cost of bringing people from scattered locations throughout the country to one point.

In short, from the advertiser's point of veiw, anything can be done on closed circuit that's done on commercial tv.

We at BBDO feel very strongly about closed circuit. So strongly, in fact, that we used it at our annual convention to enable ten of our branch offices to attend the proceedings by means of large screen receivers. It was the first time that the officers of our agency could talk to all of our people at the same time.

1956 will surely find a great increase in users over that of the past year, but since it is new and education of its benefits is necessary, it will probably not be until early 1957

that it will be fully recognized for the advantages that it can offer.



George C. Neumann Vice President David J. Mahoney New York, N. Y.

COST AND CONTACT PROBLEMS

• It seems obvious to me that the potential for closed circuit television is enormous. The very size of our marketing and sales operations demands it.

There are, however, two basic problems which must be overcome.

First is the ever-present problem of the cost involved. Yet, technological improvements are reducing equipment charges on one side, while lack of time as well as transportation costs are squeezing operating overheads, on the other. Perhaps within three to five years, closed circuit to will be considered among the normal facilities for most companies.

However, the second problem is more critical. Can a video screen adequately replace personal contact when group decisions are to be made, or a new program planned?

Tv has come a long way, but what kind of an impression would the average sales director, office manager or account executive make on a screen? When enthusiam and initiative are as vital as they are in advertising and selling, no glass-faced tube can come close to the warmth of personal contact.

We are being driven to closed circuit to today by distance and costs. And its use will increase. The success with routine procedure such as instruction to company salesmen, or outlining programs to branch office personnel testifies to this. But let's remember that the real essence of our creative business is personal relationships.



And what do YOU want from a Musical Clock?

The same thing my Central New York listeners want:

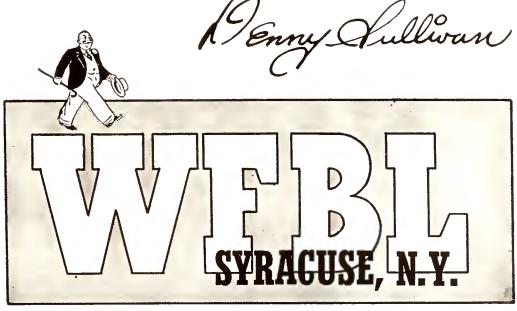
GOOD MUSIC — TIME — WEATHER REPORTS —
NEWS AND LOCAL FLAVOR

But you want more . . . SALES RESULTS!
That's what I offer on WFBL's Musical Clock,
Mon. thru Sat., 7 to 9:30 a.m.

It got RESULTS for 144 advertisers in 1955 FORWARD '56!

Am I better than other morning men? Certainly! Just place your message on my show and watch the sales rise. See Free & Peters.

Best wishes,



Central New York's FIRST Radio Station

CONTADINA

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For example, one station. an o-&-o network outlet in New York, working with the Contadina broker, was able to get A & P to run a special, full-week promotion in 1,500 of its stores.

Another station got the buyer of another chain to order several extra thousand cases of Contadina for mass displays in each store. And the buyer told the broker he was certainly impressed when the entire special order sold out in just one week.

Originally the announcements were planned as 20-second and one-minute bits. But in developing the campaign it was decided to shorten the minute versions to allow time for the brokers' use—to plug another Contadina product or provide a special mention of any store that favored the company with a featured product display.

Some brokers were satisfied with the shortened version of the commercial without any tag of their own. To provide for such cases the firm supplied the stations with fact sheets about the product so announcers could talk personally about the tomato paste. There were suggestions for ad libs by whimsical d.j.s. The main idea they were asked to stress was that Contadina was "the secret ingredient of America's best cooks."

The jingle itself (composed by Frank Deval, Colgate's musical director, and Jeff Alexander, choral director for MGM, and cut by the Sound Recorders Inc.) is a childishly gay piece with words and music both charmingly unsophisticated. An original tune that mostly just slides up and down the scale, it carries the following message.

Children: "It's yum yum yummy, Contadina Tomato Paste, In your tummy

> Man: Why don't you give it a whirl?

Children: Contadina Tomato Paste Man: Pure tomato, there is no waste,

> Wonderfully indispensable, And it's price is so sensible.

Children: It's so yum yum yummy, Contadina Tomato Paste, Tell your mummy to go out and get it today

Man: And daddy will shout hiphoo-ray

Children: So go out and get it today!" By the end of the spring campaign in early June, Contadina was almost (Please turn to page 71)



NEW AND UPCOMING TV STATIONS



I. New stations on air*

CITY & STATE	CALL LETTERS	CHANNEL NO.	ON-AIR DATE	ERP (kw)** Visual	Antenna (ft)***	NET AFFILIATION	STNS. ON AIR	SETS IN MARKET† (000)	PERMITEE, MANAGER, REI
JUNEAU, ALASKA	KINY-TV	8	14 Feb.	.261	354				Alaska Broadcasting System, Inc.

II. New construction permits*

CITY & STATE	CALL LETTERS	CHANNEL NO.	DATE OF GRANT	ERP (kw)** Visual	Antenna (ft)***	STATIONS ON AIR	SETS IN MARKET† (000)	PERMITEE, MANAGER, RADIO
MONTROSE, COLO. CLOVIS, N. M.	KICA	10 12	23 Feb. 23 Feb.	.204 29.74	70 220			Western Slope Broadcasting Co.

III. New applications

CITY & STATE	CHANNEL NO.	DATE FILED	ERP (kw)** Visual	Antenna (ft)***	ESTIMATED COST	ESTIMATED IST YEAR OP. EXPENSE	TV STATIONS IN MARKET	APPLICANT, AM AFFILIATE
BIRMINGHAM, ALA.	42	3 Mar.	16.52	789	\$134,000	\$300,000	WABT WBIQ ³ WBRC-TV WJLN-V	Birmingham Television Corp.
BROWNWOOD, TEX.	19	3 Mar.	\$67,635	\$84,000		.5	307	Brownwood Television Co.
DICKINSON, N. D.	2	25 Feb.	\$266,225	\$144,000		25.88	838	Dickinson Radio Association
POCATELLO, IDAHO	6	25 Feb.	\$243,473	\$157,000	- 4	69	1460	Radio Service Corp.

BOX SCORE U. S. stations on air.

464

Markets covered

297

above ground). †Information on the number of sets in markets not from NBC Research, o sists of estimates from the stations or reps and must be deemed approximate. *Non-commerc *Above ground (temporary).

^{*}Both new c.p's and stations going on the air listed here are those which occurred between 25 February and 3 March on which information could be obtained in that period. Station are considered to be on the air when commercial operation starts. **Effective radiated power. Aural power usually is one-half the visual power. ***Antenna height above average terrain (not



It's Spring...and another big year for KSTP-TV

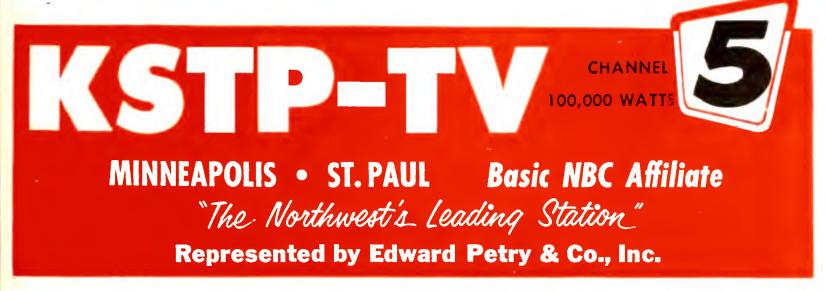
Since April 27, 1948, when it became the *first* television station in the Northwest, KSTP-TV has remained the leader in this vital, four billion dollar market.

Last year, KSTP-TV broke all sales records and is well on the way to doing the same thing this year. The reasons are simple.

Through superior entertainment, talent, service and showmanship, KSTP-TV has

earned a listener loyalty that means sales to advertisers. That's why it is the *first* buy—the *best* buy in this market of more than 600,000 television homes.

For more details on the most efficient, most economical way to sell your product in the active-buying Northwest, contact your nearest Edward Petry office or a KSTP-TV representative today.



round-up





Moore & KFMB's Pecht try a practice spin-Ray Duke interviews basketball's Tom Gola

Expert at spinning pugs is now spinning disks on KFMB

Archie Moore, World Light Heavyweight Boxing Champion, is another personality who will turn to broadcasting to cash in on his popularity as a sports figure. KFMB, San Diego, Cal. will be Moore's radio outlet. Five days a week (Mon.-Fri. 6:30-6:45 p.m.). Moore will broadcast sports news for Westerlund and Lange, one of San Diego's largest automobile parts supply houses. Saturday's, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., he will do a remote from the auto showrooms of the Pearson Ford Company. On both shows Moore will have Sam Grossman, KFMB's Sports Director, in his corner as chief second.

In noting that he planned to bring nationally known sports figures to his show Moore added, "I've met a long list of wonderful people in sports in my years of boxing and I certainly plan to use my contacts to build a good show."

The Champ, who calls San Diego his home, said his new assignment satisfied a long-felt desire to get into broadcasting. "After all, I can't fight for another 20 years, so I'd better learn another profession."

KFMB is the CBS station for San Diego.

Yank's Rizzuto umps Junior Sport League show for RCA

"If you want to reach kids don't forget that they're people."

No, please don't start groaning because two men who have taken this approach have done so with understanding and taste. There's good showmanship, too, in the way Paul White and Joe Wills have produced the Junior Sports League show now being distributed by the RCA Recorded Program Services.

In the half hour film previewed by SPONSOR, Phil Rizzuto presided as National Sportsmaster with as much ease as any professional tv performer. Other sports personalities, including tennis star Vic Seixas, will alternate with Phil from time to time.

By way of giving the kids, for whom the program is designed, a chance to do more than sit on the sidelines and cheer on cue, the JSL will play host to a different club each week. The club members will also participate on portions of the show. The first week the Madison Square Boys Club took part and club member Ray Duke interviewed basketball star Tom Gola.

Kids watching the show at home can become members of the JSL by joining a recognized youth club in their community.

DuMont labs make color tv magic with low \$ Vitascan

Whether or not you're making more money than ever before, you're still interested in cutting costs wherever you can—especially when you can improve your services. In tv this means offering sponsors better means of selling their products. If you're ready to grant that color is one better means, DuMont Laboratories have a new device that you can use.

It's called the Vitascan and was designed to provide a reliable, economical method for live color telecasting. It transmits brilliant color pictures without a camera and avoids the problem of color registration. It can be used without large studio crews of trained engineers.

Vitascan uses a cathode-ray tube to scan persons and objects with a beam of light that is in turn picked up by multiplier phototubes. The phototubes convert the light into an electrical signal which is passed on to a transmitter for the telecast.

Because the reflected light is picked up by the Vitascan the studio must be in complete darkness. By synchronizing the studio lights with the Vitascan, one is turned off and the other on in such rapid succession that the studio is seemingly always in full light.

The cost of a complete Vitascan installation is about ½ that of conventional color tv equipment.

KSHO's stay-up-late town spawns tv programing idea

Maximum saturation television is being made possible by KSHO, a new independent station going on the air this month in Las Vegas, Nevada. Since Las Vegas is a 24 hour city with men and women getting off their jobs at all hours of the day and night, KSHO plans to program a six hour block of films which will be repeated four times each day. This will keep costs down by minimizing the amount of film to be bought and will permit audience promotion by word of mouth.

Except for news programs, time will be sold only in packages on a saturation basis of 24, 12, eight, etc. announcements a day. A package of 24 announcements for one day costs \$200. On a yearly basis it would be \$140 a day. The success of saturation on radio inspired the film block idea which lowers KSHO's rates.

KSHO is owned and managed by Morry Zenoff.

Maryland's WITH and WNAV sponsor 26 mile relay run

Radio station WITH, Baltimore and WNAV, Annapolis, are sponsoring the Maryland Day Marathon Relay Saturday 24 March. It is being held under the sanction of the South Atlantic Association of the Amateur Athletic Union of the U.S. The 26 mile race will be run between the State House in Annapolis and the Baltimore City Hall. Besides creating interest in their respective stations, WITH and WNAV hope the event will serve to spotlight the Olympic Fund Drive.

The committee for the relay is made up of the following Honorary Chairmen: Hon. Theodore R. McKeldin, Governor of Maryland; Hon. Thomas D'Alesandro, Jr., Mayor of Baltimore; Thomas G. Tinsley, Jr., president, radio station WITH; Robert Campbell

Embry, v.p., WITH.

Two-man teams will compete in the race with each contestant to run half the distance.

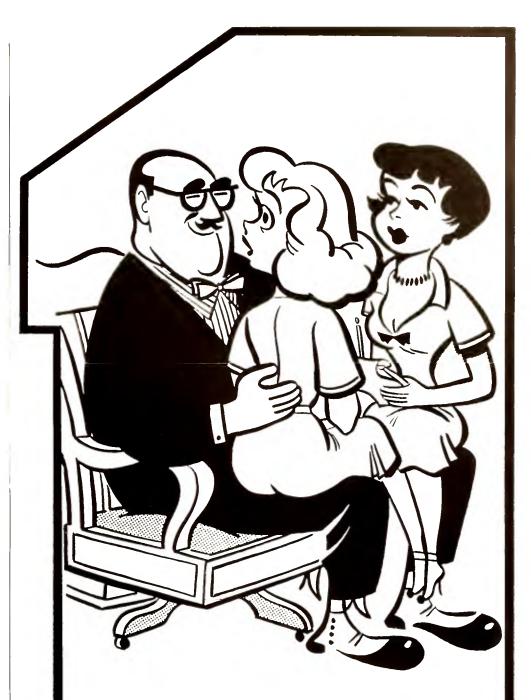
Briefly . . .

Spring fashions 1956, in full color, were introduced in Indianapolis over WFBM-TV by Davidson's of Indiana, one of the leading furriers and fashion centers in the midwest. Davidson's Spring Fashion Colorama was the title of the half hour show. It was part of 101/2 hours of color programing carried by the station in a recent week.

Authenticity of color to is emphasized by the news that Smith, Kline & French of Philadelphia, Pa., a pharmaceutical firm, have purchased an RCAdesigned compatible color studio-onwheels for closed circuit presentations of surgical and clinical demonstrations. G. F. Roll, director of pr for S.K.&F. said, "Form and contrast alone are not sufficient to provide a true picture of human tissue. The addition of color, however, provides the realism."

To celebrate its anniversary, radio station WITH, Baltimore, Md., sent out birthday cakes to top personnel in all local agencies and to time buyers and account executives in New York, Chicago, Philadelphia and Washington, D. C. With each cake went a card thanking the recipient for the part he played in the continuing success of WITH over the past 15 years.

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ONE WILL DO!

One station — WBNS Radio — drops sweetspending Columbus and Central Ohio right in your lap. WBNS delivers the most listeners ... twice as many as the next biggest station. The most and also the best. With 20 top Pulserated shows, WBNS puts push behind your sales program. To sell Central Ohio . . . buy WBNS Radio.

CBS FOR CENTRAL OHIO

Ask John Blair

The number one Pulse station covering 1,573,820 people with 2 Billion Dollars to spend.



Just 72 minutes...from there to here.





CONTADINA

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out of product. At this point the research department took over and, through follow-up surveys with the radio stations, added up the results.

What had they learned? When all the data were pieced together, agency and client were convinced they had the right recipe. The appetizer was just right; now for the main dish: the fall campaign.

This drive got under way 19 September and ran nine weeks, through to 19 November. Basically it was the same formula used in the spring test, only more so. Whereas the first campaign cost about \$125.000 for the radio end, the fall push called for more than double that.

Again the campaign began with a barrage of announcements and maintained the heavy drumfire throughout the ensuing weeks. In New York, for example, there were 123 during the first week, followed by no less than 90 every week thereafter.

Again prime adjacencies were sought and the agency had little difficulty getting them, except for some of the higher-rated disk jockeys.

Again Contadina brokers teamed up with the radio stations to conduct a preselling campaign. And this time they got nearly more in-store promotions than they could use (if such a thing be possible).

Again listeners wrote in to stations for copies of the ditty; Garry Moore plugged it twice on his network show; and the tune became something of a hit—among harried mothers anyway.

Full-color ads in Sunday supplements supported the radio schedules this time around, along with black-and-white ads in the dailies. And in all media the message repeated the theme: "Add the secret ingredient of America's best cooks" — the recipe catalyst. Dealers were provided with mats, shelf strips, throw-aways, and other sales aids.

Satisfied with last year's showings, Contadina has things stirring on radio again. Its current spring drive began 5 March and will continue through till 14 April. And this time it's all radio, with about the same number of spots. Schedule calls for saturation of all markets for the first week. Number of announcements per market is reduced for the second and subsequent weeks in the campaign with concentra-

tion on daytime hours, especially during the best shopping days: Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturday mornings.

The Morici brothers (Anthony, who is president. Alfred, and Martin), who own and operate the company, fly their own planes to keep themselves informed first-hand on developments in important markets. While they're best known for their tomato paste, they also pack other fruits and vegetables and the 40-year-old firm name is actually the Hershel California Fruit Products Co.

Four years ago, in 1952, the compeny planned a program of tw participations. The campaign had barely got off the ground when a price war canceled its advertising efforts. Plans simmered for awhile. Now things are cooking again, and radio is the basic stock.

As for the jingle, one mother wrote in to say it was "the best baby sitter" she ever had. Her 13-month-old daughter just loved it. "I would say." she wrote, "'Listen. Yummy, yummy is coming on' and she would stay like an angel. Occasionally she would even stop crying. . . ."

When they begin crying for your commercials . . .! ***

AGENCIES 15%

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sponsor his agency's balance sheets for 1955:

Internal servicing costs	\$239,800
Net art studio costs	12,900
Non-billed expenses	6.100
Other expenses, services,	
sundried	3,040

Total costs \$261,840 for agency's operating overhead, which brings total cost of servicing the account to \$396,904.

Income from radio-tv \$431,800 Income from service fees 10,300

Total income from the account \$442.100

Agency's gross profit was \$45,196, or more than 10% on gross income, nearly 2% on gross billings.

"I worked in two top agencies before this job." said the product manager of a soap company. "In those agencies, most of us would wait to fill out our time sheets till the end of the week. Of course, by that time we'd be guessing about how much time we spent on each client. Still, how else can an agency keep track of its costs? After all, 80% of an agency's expense are personnel payments."

A majority of clients expressed mistrust of cost accounting as a measure of agency service.

"Any client who judges his agency's services on the basis of the cost-accounting sheets it feeds him should go to a psychiatrist," one out-spoken drug company ad director told sponsor. "I guess every ad manager goes through that routine onece before he realizes what nonsense it is. You see on the sheet that one \$15.000-a-year man spent two-thirds of his time on your products. How're you going to measure whether that's true or not? For all you know, he may have been split up among five different accounts."

3. How big is 15%?: It's a sizeable chunk, admen point out, especially when you're buying tv programing for network exposure. And furthermore, it's a chunk that's likely to keep growing as tv grows and expands.

Those opposed to package show

commissions aren't quibbling over pennies. Just take these examples of typical network tv costs: A 26-week sponsor of a \$38,000 weekly half-hour show spends \$1 million annually in talent costs alone; \$150,000 goes to his agency in show commissions. For this \$150,000, he could add some 20 stations to his lineup for 26 weeks (Network statisticians quote \$300 as the average price for a nighttime halfhour on optional stations.) Or for \$150,000 he could buy a 52-week saturation campaign of more than 85 Class "A" announcements weekly on a major New York flagship.

If an advertiser buys a \$58,000 weekly hour show for 52 weeks, he's spending \$3 million a year on talent costs alone. His agency commission on such a show package is \$450,000, which would buy him 52-week exposure on 17 additional optional stations (using network statistician's figure of \$500 as the average cost of a nighttime hour on optional stations).

A jewelry advertiser summed it up this way: "I could be sponsoring my show in 15 additional markets for the money the agency collects in show commissions and I can't really afford to bypass those markets any more. I may have to quit network and go to spot announcement schedules for coverage."

4. Fees for services: "I have yet to see a Gallup or Starch report I didn't pay a fee for," says the advertising director of a drug firm with a \$3 million stake in network tv.

Most statistical services like Nielsen, Gallup, Pulse or other reports are charged to clients separately and above the media commissions, advertisers state. Of course, as a client's billings increase, his services from the agency increase, too.

For example, a major package food advertiser moved a small-budget product into one of the top five air media agencies. During the first year he was asked to pay a 20% commission on one part of the account's budget because the agency showed him from cost accounting sheets that it couldn't break even on the account. This year the advertiser appointed the same agency for one of his top-billing products. Now the entire account is handled for a 15% commission and the services have increased as well.



Use This One-Two Punch To Ring Up Extra Sales in Baton Rouge

No. 1 WAFB-TV has overwhelming viewer preference in Louisiana's State Capital. According to latest Telepulse, WAFB-TV has a leadership of nearly 5-to-1, is first in 347 quarter hours to 78 for station B.

Within last few months, WAFB-TV has won, (a) first place in nation-wide "Lucy Show" contest with a double award for a special merchandising job, (b) first place in national Screen Gems, Inc. contest on program promotion, (c) one of first four in "Frank Leahy Football Forecasts" promotion.

WAFB-TV

200,000 watts CBS-ABC affiliated with WAFB--AM

Call . . . Write . . . or . . . Wire
National Representative—Young Television Corp.
South & Southwest—Clarke Brown Co.

First in TV in Baton Rouge

paraphrasing advertising great PHILIP W. LENNEN

re's only one solution to a selling problem:

FIND THE

RIGHT

TECHNIQUE!

INTRODUCING: THE RIGHT TECHNIQUE!

SPONSOR PRESENTATIONS'

NEW

4-POINT SALES PLAN

FOR TV and RADIO STATIONS



SOLVES YOUR SELLING PROBLEMS

by using Successfully Tested Technique that sell your station's story with

MAXIMUM IMPACT, SPE

The complete Presentation:

We plan, create, the 8-page Sponsor Presentation from A to Z. The material is researched and gathered on the scene (station and market) in the most expert fashion. You have no worries except suggestions and approval of the Presentation. Included in the package are the writing, editing of the Presentation; the artwork, the engravings (which become your property); all the researcher's traveling expenses; the printing of 16,500 copies of your Presentation. You get 5,000 personal-use copies for your sales staff, national sales rep and distribution among present and prospective customers.

Automatic wide-spread distribution:

Your Sponsor Presentation is inserted, as part of the package price, in a regular issue of SPON-SOR, the prestige magazine tv and radio advertisers use, with a minimum circulation of 11,000 copies.

DELIVERED AT ONE PACKAGE PRICE

Exclusive added pin-point distribution:

We will mail at our expense copies of your Presentation — with an appropriate note from your sales manager — copies of your Presentation to a confidential and selected list of 1,000 time buyers.

Maximum coordination with your rep:

After the Presentation is completed, we will set up meetings with your national rep's sales staffs in New York and Chicago to give them a complete rundown of your station's up-to-the-minute story, as based on what the researcher of your Presentation found and observed. The end result: the men who are out selling your station become more firmly sold than ever on your sales story.

OF SUCCESSFUL TECHNIQUES TO MAKE \$\$\$







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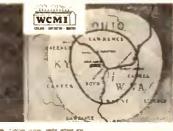
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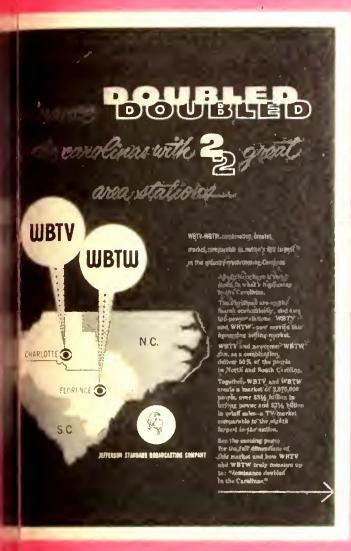


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Excerpts from sales-producing Sponsor Presentations



These Presentations have been uniquely effective in selling local personalities and local live programming to national advertisers



THEY MAKE WJAR-TV A PERSONALITY POWERHOUSE





























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NOLNTY-28: PER ORDER
VIIE STATION B-40: PER ORDER
VIIE STATION D-AND E-53: PER ORDER
VIIE STATION D-AND E-53: PER ORDER
VIIE STATION F-67: PER ORDER

Our technique for conveying coverage impact and economy gave this new station a fast selling start — equipped with a complete sales kit





ONE SHOT! CENTRAL FLORIDA'S

GREATEST ONE-STATION COVERAGE

340 KC • 10.000 Watts (dautime only)



PROOF OF PAYOFF!

FROM STATIONS THAT USED

SPONSOR PRESENTATIONS

BUD ROGERS, WSAZ-TV:

"... it's terrific! Easily the most valuable piece of research ammunition we've ever had for future sales building ... we are being congratulated for the wonderful public relations job we have done through our Sponsor Presentation for the whole WSAZ-TV area while at the same time aggressively selling WSAZ-TV."

PAT WILLIAMS, Air Trails Network:

"For the money spent this is the best sales promotion we've ever gotten out and the best national advertising we can buy. We have proof of the results, because we've got business — contracts — repeatedly on the basis of our Presentations. Our salesmen consider a Sponsor Presentation an annual "must." We are looking forward to our fourth Sponsor Presentation."

HAYDN R. EVANS, WBAY-TV:

"We take great pride in having been the first station to buy a Sponsor Presentation. It gave us an ideal sales tool to mail to agencies and clients and to show at in-person solicitations, for well over a year. We got back our investment several times over."

V. E. CARMICHAEL, KWK, Inc.:

"You did a mature, down-to-earth job on the Presentation for our new station, W•GTO...the information and sound selling techniques gave us right at the send-off a strong, fact-packed sales tool...the immediate results were very gratifying."

JOHN FETZER, Fetzer stations:

"... expertly researched and documented... a resourceful, practically-devised sales story that should help us enormously at KOLN-TV."

GENERAL MANAGER, WJAR-TV:

"Our Sponsor Presentation's acceptance and impact at agencies has pleased us tremendously...it gave them, the agencies said, the information they're always looking for and the way they want it.

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The Sponsor Presentation
Plan is now extended (in
tv and radio station) to man
and services selling to tv
stations, and to tv
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SALES PLAN

w<mark>ures you not only a mature, sound basic</mark>

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VERTISING-SALES PROMOTION STRATEGY

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THE BUYER BUYS YOUR SALES STORY

SILY, SPEEDILY, FACTUALLY

YOU BUY SEASONED KNOW-HOW

SPONSOR PRESENTATIONS, in 8 or more pages, are planned, created, totally prepared by Ben Bodec and his experienced staff, whose formula and formats can be copied but not equalled.

A cross-section of Ben Bodec's background:

Executive with J. Walter Thompson and Kenyon & Eckhardt in programming and planning capacities; associating him with such accounts as RCA, Lorillard, Owens-Illinois Glass, General Cigar, Ford, Lincoln-Mercury, Kellogg.

Program development and program sales executive with the American Broadcasting Company.

Fourteen years with "Variety" as reporter, radio editor, associate editor. Executive editor of SPONSOR. V.p. and general manager of SPONSOR PRESENTATION, INC., since its inception February, 1953.

Over 25 years in the business of advertising and selling.

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PROVED,
DYNAMIC
FORMULAS:

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SPONSOR = MORE \$\$

PRESENTATIONS FOR YOU

BUSINESS

YOUR SPONSOR PRESENTATION GUARANTEES '0

PRESTIGE AND LEADERSHIP

COUPON
FOR EASY
BUYING

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PENETRATION AT THE KEY
CENTERS OF INFLUENCE

Sponsor Presentations Inc.

40 East 49th Street, New York 17, New York

- ☐ I am interested in a Sponsor Presentation. Please let me have further details regarding such project.
- Please advise whether I could insert my presentation in a SPONSOR issue during the month of

Name

Title

Station, or firm

Street address

City

State

"Last year I had to pay for every single merchandising piece the agency made up for us," the ad manager told sponsor. "Now I've got an \$18,000-a-year merchandising man assigned exclusively to us. There's a timebuyer who works almost entirely for us, both in clearing for our network show and buying our spot campaigns. And we're no longer asked to pay a separate fee for every study made for us."

But there's no set pattern for the services a client is to get fee-free and those he'll have to pay for.

"It's a matter of negotiation between me and the agency," another ad manager said. "There's no guarantee that an agency collecting \$200,000 in commissions from a package tv show on which it does little is going to turn around and give the advertiser anywhere near \$200,000 worth of extra services. The services are not in proportion to the kind of free ride an agency gets from having a client on net tv with the same package show year after year."

agency income from tv time buying has been growing steadily. Initial network buys today dictate somewhat larger lineups than three years ago. Once or twice a year many stations boost their rates. As time passes clients expand their network tv lineups for established shows. Thus agency revenue grows automatically without need for more work on the part of the agency.

"In fall of 1954 we had our show on a 70-station lineup," one package food advertiser told SPONSOR. "Now we've got the same show on more than 100 stations. But the agency still needs only one man to supervise the show. It doesn't cost the agency one penny more to service our show, but its gross income from the media buy alone is about 40% higher than a year earlier."

Here's another point, and this one came up recently when a drug company changed agencies: When a client moves an existing package show out of the agency that bought and possibly helped develop it, should the new agency reap the 15%? Chances are, runs this point of view, the second agency will get a larger gross income than the first one as a result of increased time costs and expanded lineups. The second agency did nothing towards clearing the network time slot in the first place, yet collects a full time plus tal-

ent commission on the full package.

6. Why 15%: Granted that agencies need to maintain more high-priced talent in their tv departments than in any other agency department, isn't this overhead covered by the network tv time commission? After all, negotiating for network time isn't like buying spot tv. Once the time slot is arranged for, there's little further need for reshuffling and reviewing schedules as media people do in spot. True, there's some work involved in clearing the show on various stations, but does

that cost the full \$150,000 which an agency takes in from a \$1 million network tv time buy?

Agencies state that the first year a client goes on network tv costs them far more than any of the subsequent years. If a show's a success, there's less work involved in supervising it during the second year. By then the independent packager or network producer has become familiar with audiences, client taboos. The expense of screening shows is behind the agency.

In print media, the media commis-(Please turn to page 100)



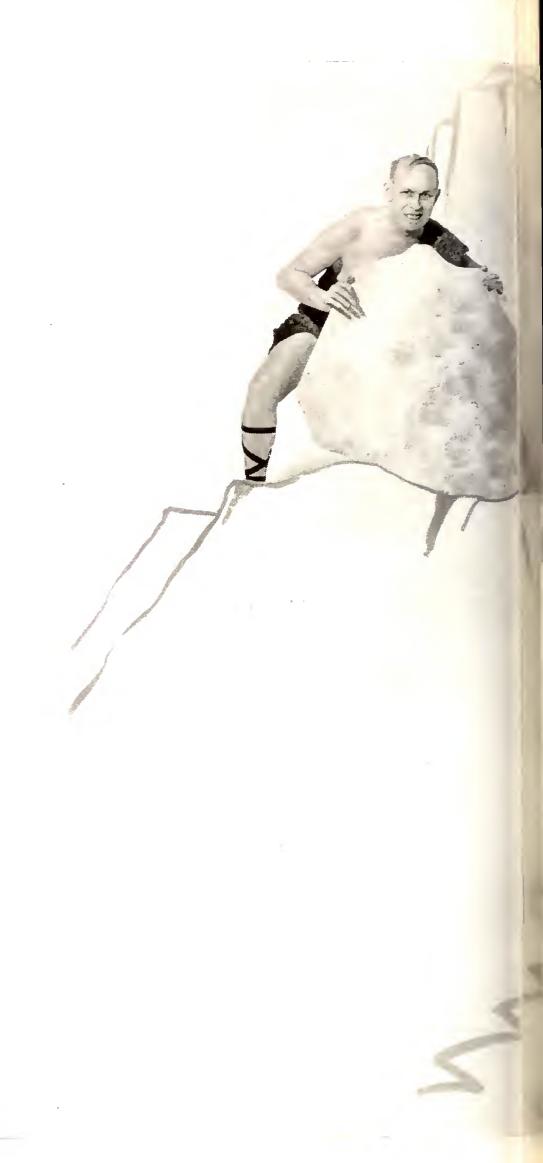
MBS QUESTIONS

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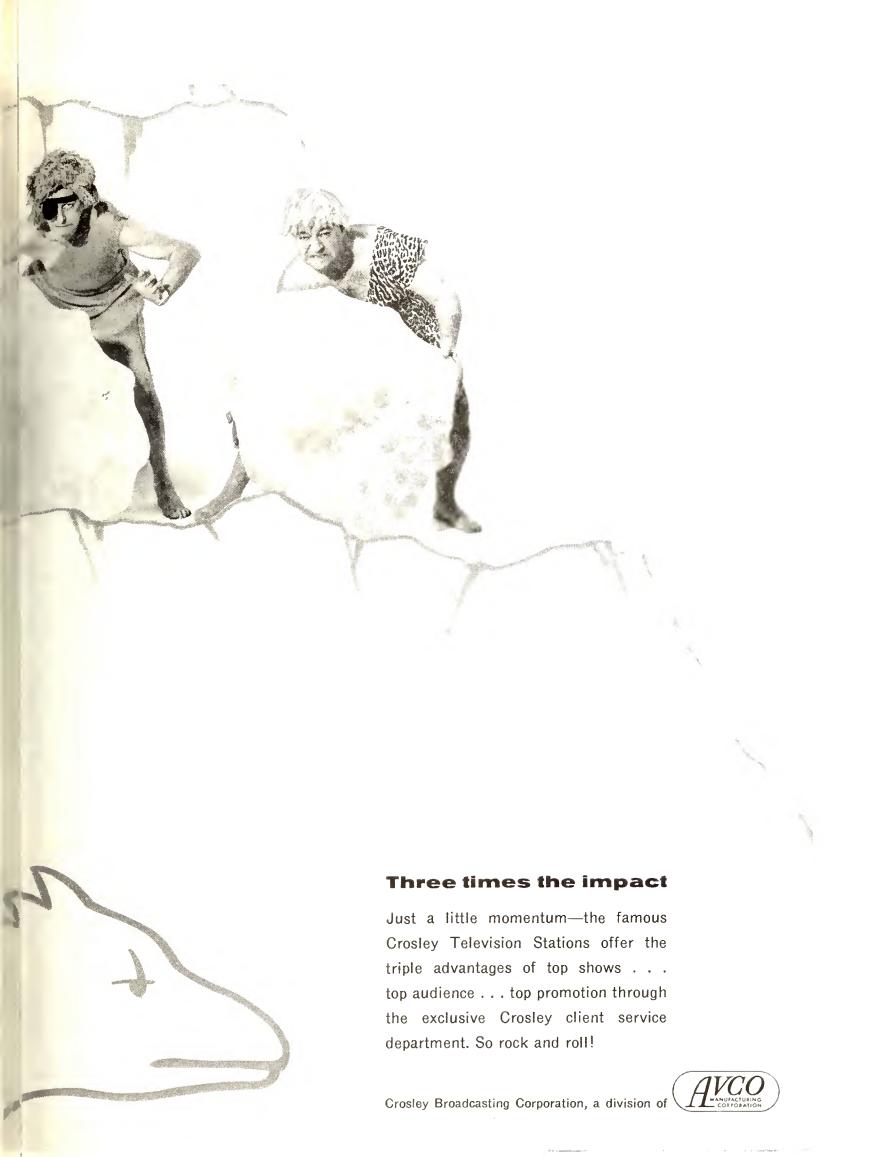
anticipate in a lot of cases, it would be necessary to lower rates.

In other words it operates just like a magazine. If a magazine gives you a guarantee of 700,000 and delivers a million copies for a full year, come around next year and the rates are going to be higher. If it's a half a million as opposed to 700,000, next year the rates will be lower.

- Q. Is that a departure from previous air media pricing policies where your price would not necessarily go down if your audience went down?
- A. (TRENNER) Well, when you talk about previous pricing policies, I think what you really mean is previous pricing habits. If you've been around this radio business as long as I have been, you will find that most rates are habit. In the first place they came out of somebody's Stetson. Nobody knew where they came from or why they came. Somebody said that nighttime should be double daytime and this remained for a long time until somebody got sensible enough to understand that daytime was getting to be better than nighttime. There has been no real policy, no real basis for radio rates. It's been determined by how much does it cost me to run my station and how much money do I want to make in the course of a year. And this we believe is the answer to that rather inadequate basis on which prices have been reached in the past.
- Q. In other words you think this is a more scientific approach to prices in radio?
- A. (TRENNER) I think it's a more businesslike approach.
- Q. Network radio today is frequently bought in short bursts of announcements. Can the short term advertisers get a guarantee?
- A. (TRENNER) Well, no. Frankly, if you want to be scientific about something you've got to give the science of the method enough time to operate. When a guy throws buckshot into the air he is not buying on a scientific basis. And he is not looking for this kind of thing, in the first place. And in the second place while we sell short-term bursts just as everybody does, we believe the best way to buy radio is for its cumulative effect and as a



SALES OFFICES: New York, Cincinnati, Dayton, Columbus, Atlanta, Chicago, Pami



VLW-T Cincinnati WLW-D Dayton WLW-C Columbus

consequence we'd like to make longer purchases more attractive.

Q. Is this plan designed to discourage short-term buying?

A. (TRENNER) No, no. On the contrary. But we cannot give a guy a guarantee on a short burst promotional campaign. It might come between two rating periods and we'd never know how much audience it got.

Q. What's the minimum length of time that an advertiser can buy on Mutual and be eligible for the guarantee? A. (PUFF) Thirteen weeks at the present time.

Q. Now how about a seasonal advertiser who comes in for one 13-week cycle preceding Christmas. If that man does not get the circulation that has been guaranteed, perhaps it's of no value to him after Christmas. If a make-good were necessary, would you give him time next Christmas? ... That's a rather small point.

A. (TRENNER) No, it's an important point. It's important because it brings out an important point. The way you

ask this question, you presuppose that at all times we are going to wait until the conclusion of the campaign to make good. This is not entirely so. Because we have such a vast store of information about our network, we will have our weather forecasters watch everything as we go along. And if in our judgment something is going to fall short, we will make it up within the framework of the campaign.

I refer you again back to magazines. If a magazine believes it may fall short, it does not wait to fall short and then rebate the advertiser. The circulation manager will warn about what is happening. The magazine makes the choice: Are we going to pay rebates to some of these advertisers or are we going out and spend money on circulation promotion to avoid it?

So it is not necessary, in fact it will rarely be necessary for us to wait until the end of a campaign because we know a lot about our network. Mr. Puff has accumulated enough charts and figures and computations and commutations so that this is not just a hit and miss situation. And just as an aside, I don't quite understand why all the questions manifest themselves about rebates.

Q. Don't you raise the question yourself by having a guarantee in the first place?

A. (TRENNER) Not necessarily. To go back to my other example. When Cadillac gives you a new car guarantee, they don't presuppose that the car is going to fall apart or that you think it will—because if you did you wouldn't buy it even with the guarantee.

Q. Can a current Mutual advertiser take advantage of the quarantee?

A. (TRENNER) They are doing it.

Q. Since the plan was announced have you had any orders placed because of it? Or any renewals?

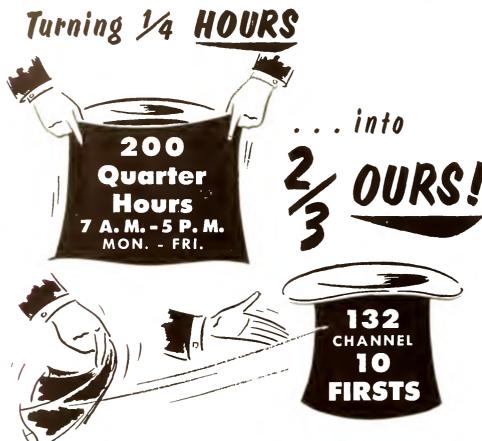
A. (TRENNER) We've had two renewals. One of them was Kraft. The other one was Warner-Lambert. We have one new order so far and that's Brown & Williamson for Viceroy cigarettes.

Q. Was the guaranteed circulation a big factor in the renewal?

A. (TRENNER) Paramount. Or is that a bad word? It was very important.

In the case of Kraft it was not only

NEATEST TRICK IN ROCHESTER, N. Y.



The latest (October, 1955) ARB report tells the story: 132 firsts for Channel 10 out of the 200 competitive quarter-hours, 7 AM to 5 PM, Mondays through Fridays! —And, incidentally, Channel 10 rates 273 firsts out of the weekly, day-and-night total of 461 quarter-hours! Mighty good figures, Mr. Time Buyer!



EVERETT-McKINNEY, INC. . NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES . THE BOLLING CO., INC.

The South Is Different!

By John Pepper and Bert Ferguson



Have you heard that selling the South takes a different formula—a special effort? Wondered about stories of "a changing South?" All right, here's a way to sell the South, in terms of it's own individual structure.

Let us get over one point at the outset. You can make sales in the South. It is being done right now. There is one formula that's different. And success is not so much a matter of special effort, as special choice. To get the best and quickest results you never peck away with a hairpin, you go get a tool designed for the job. You never wade through the final details, but find a specialized assistant, agent or salesman whom you can rely on to understand your problems and interpret them. In radio station WDIA, Memphis, you have at hand a medium shaped by the South's own character, ready to be fitted to your organization's needs.

They listen to it: Ten percent of the Negro population in the United States live inside the WDIA coverage area. This in itself is a heavy-spending market bigger than the Negro populations of Chicago plus Philadelphia plus Los Angeles: the biggest market of its kind there is.

In the Memphis area alone, the bustling and prosperous center of this market, 40 percent of the population is Negro. And these people had never really been approached until WDIA

started programming for them. There is still no medium, even those designed for the Negro readers in metropolitan sections of the North, which attains a fraction of WDIA's coverage and acceptance here.

For WDIA uses Negro voices and Negro music. You hear it as you drive past a barbershop or lunch stand, or when you turn the dial on your own set—and you can't mistake its rich flavor. This was a wondrous and joyful thing to these folks from the start. Their pride and happy sense of owner-ship—their habit of keeping WDIA tuned in day and night—their whole-hearted welcome to the way WDIA came to them with their rhythms and accents—have had pretty fabulous results and still do.

Just one result is the fact that with WDIA you get the top audience ratings, on all surveys, day and night, in a city that has seven other stations—some of them on the air twenty-five years. The WDIA listeners don't shift around. They're listeners for good. Good results, too.

It was this feeling about WDIA, too, that pushed WDIA from 250 watts up to 50,000 watts in one great move. WDIA is still the only 50,000-watt station in Memphis.

Willing to spend: Yet there's still another aspect of this "Golden Market," in addition to its proven devotion to WDIA; and that's the fact that it consists of a group of people who actually buy more things than the average, and often better. They are eager customers. They know quality and national brands.

The Negro 40 percent of Memphis buys 56.6 percent of all the laundry bleach. They buy 60 percent of all deodorants. 44.5 percent of the girls' dresses, 64.8 percent of the flour. That will give you some idea of the favorable situation already there when you start advertising over WDIA. These people are earning over a quarter billion dollars this year. They are spend-

ing 80 percent of what they make, on consumer goods and services. They spend what they make. Their families, homes and friends are the most important elements in their life. And they are 100 percent sold on WDIA.

Only One in America: In short, WDIA's Memphis and Mid-South opportunities are these. A market of 1,230,724 Negroes, more than in any other one place in America. A market of 80 percent spenders who buy quantity and quality. A market in which nothing else comes near the coverage, much less the special appeal of WDIA, which hits them where they live. A market whose loyalty has lifted WDIA to the top-and kept it at the top-of power and audience measurements. A market where-to borrow the legendary remark Gen. Forrest may never have uttered—you get the mostest with the fustest.

Just how much weight is carried by a solid 40 percent can be seen in success stories of such accounts as

Wrigley's Gum, Breast O' Chicken Tuna, Pan-Am Gas and Oil, Calumet Baking Powder, Miller's High Life Beer.

And there's a good record made by WDIA in the line that interests you most. Would you write and let us know the kind of product on which you'd like to see some eloquent figures? We believe they'll add up to the one formula for selling "a changing South" which would be of real advantage to you.

WDIA is represented nationally by the John E. Pearson Company.

John Pepper, President

Best Juguer BERT FERGUSON, General Manager

HAROLD WALKER, Commercial Manager

a renewal of the five days but there was actually a sixth day added. They had had five five-minute periods a day for five days a week. And they expanded it to six days, including Saturday, adding a total of five fiveminute periods.

- Q. What did the Brown & Williamson people buy?
- A. (TRENNER) Our Multi-Message Plan five announcements a week.
- Q. Had they been in the Multi Message Plan before?

- A. (TRENNER) They'd never been on the network before to my knowledge.
- Q. Do you have any other deals that are hanging fire?
- A. (TRENNER) Many. A great many.
- Q. In other words there's definitely been a stimulus to selling coming out of your new approach?
- A. (TRENNER) The answer to that is positively yes.
- Q. Well now can you give some examples of typical cost-per-1,000 guarantees?
- A. (TRENNER) No, we do not do that. That is a confidential thing between us and the client. The only thing we can say unequivocally is that guys that buy the same thing get the same guarantee. Anybody else that bought five days a week on the Multi-Message plan at night would get the same guar. antee as Brown & Williamson, but you can't give people the same guarantee who make different types of purchases.
- Q. Why do you make it a policy not to reveal the specific figures?
- A. (TRENNER) Why do we make it a Because we think it's the policy? business of us and the client and nobody else.
- Q. Well, in a sense your guarantee is like a rate and yet a rate is an openly announced thing. Is there a specific reason or special reason in this case for not publishing the cost-per-1,000?
- A. (TRENNER) Well because it might be misleading to people. It might mislead the guy who came in and wanted to buy two spot announcements to think that he's entitled to the same guarantee as Kraft is with its 30 five minute shows.
- Q. Well, suppose you were to make an announcement of cost-per-1,000 in which you specified figures for different types of buys?
- A. (PUFF) We couldn't do that. There are so many factors that are involved. Actually, 30 periods comparable to Kraft could turn out to be at different times of the day, perhaps more of them at night, more of them on weekends. All of which would have a large bearing on the actual cost-per-1,000 and resultantly the guarantee that we would place on it.

Not only that but you then get into the area of specialized buying where people want to reach just men or just children or just women or just hunters and fishermen or just bowlers. When you get into the area of what might be similar to specialized magazines vour cost-per-1,000 goes up.

- Q. Tell me, is there also a competitive reason for keeping this on a confidential basis? Do you feel that perhaps to publish these figures would lead to some form of network competition in which other networks try to match them or some factor of that kind?
- \mathbf{A} . (TRENNER) I would say that as a broad answer to this whole question





IN METROPOLITAN SHREVEPORT

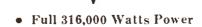
in this prosperous market where 311,235 families with 170,000 TV sets have over \$1,275,069,000 to spend!

- 19 THE 20 SHOWS
- ★ 68% of the nighttime audience

KSLA is first in TV

- ★ 61% of the daytime audience
- Leads in 150 out of 168 nighttime quarter-

PAUL H. RAYMER CO., INC. NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES



- CBS Basic Network
- 27 Months on Air
- *Based on ARB Survey of television viewing-week of October 9-15.





You Might Cycle Coast to Coast in 14 ½ Days* - -

BUT... YOU NEED WKZO-TV SUREAU TO PEDDLE GOODS

AMERICAN RESEARCH BUREAU
February, 1955 Report
GRAND RAPIDS—KALAMAZOO

1	Number of Quarter Hours With Higher Rating			
MONDAY THRU FRIDAY	WKZO-TV	Station B		
7 a.m.— 5 p.m.	144	56		
5 p.m.—11 p.m.	83	37		
ATURDAY & SUNDAY				
10 a.m.—11 p.m.	80	24		

OTE: Survey based on sampling in the following proportions—Grand Rapids (45%), Kalamazoo (19%), Battle Creek (19%), Muskegon (17%).

TO PEDDLE GOODS IN WESTERN MICHIGAN!

The American Research Bureau Report, left, proves that WKZO-TV is the overwhelming favorite—morning, afternoon and night—not only in Kalamazoo and Grand Rapids, but in Muskegon and Battle Creek, as well!

WKZO-TV is the Official Basic CBS Television Outlet for Kalamazoo-Grand Rapids. Telecasting with 100,000 watts from a 1000' tower, WKZO-TV delivers its excellent picture to over 590,000 television homes in 29 Western Michigan and Northern Indiana counties—one of America's top-20 TV markets!

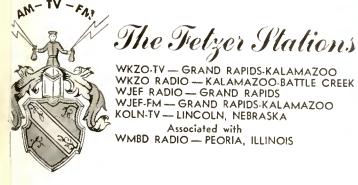
100,000 WATTS ● CHANNEL 3 ● 1000' TOWER

WKZO-TV

Kalamazoo - Grand Rapids and Greater Western Michigan

Avery-Knodel, Inc., Exclusive National Representatives





*Donald Mainland did it (Santa Monica to New York) in May, 1953.

that we feel that the business of the guarantee is ours and the client's and whatever connotation you want to take out of that is up to you.

Q. Is there any possibility of argument with the client growing out of this situation. Do you anticipate any difficulty or confusion?

A. (TRENNER) We do not. We make the whole plan and the whole deal very specific and we write it out in very careful terms and there's no more possibility for argument here than there is on the average deal. And there have been a few arguments between networks and clients in the past before there was a guarantee so to say that there will be no arguments would be stupid. But as far as this is concerned it would not contribute to the arguments if that's what you mean.

Q. How does the cost that Mutual is delivering compare with the cost-per-1,000 of magazines and newspapers?

A. (PUFF) Considerably lower. They

vary all over the lot but I would say without the actual figures that there are cases in general magazines now I'm speaking of where our cost is probably not more than 15% of their cost-per-1,000, circulation. In every case it's considerably lower.

There is no cheaper way of reaching people than network radio. That's the answer to that.

Q. When you go out to sell this, what do clients ask about this plan? Are there any particular things that they find hard to grasp?

A. (TRENNER) Our observation has been that the fairly sophisticated buyer doesn't find any problems with the plan as it's presented at all. There are certain things that they do ask and we do satisfy them. For example, in the event that a make-good is necessary, where do I get it? And the answer to that obviously is you get it at a time when we can best reach the audience that you tried to reach with your original purchase. The obvious example being that if somebody's trying to sell nickel candy bars to children and advertises between 5 and 6 in the afternoon he doesn't want a make-good at 11:30 at night when all his customers are in bed.

Other than that the plan seems to be fairly simple in the minds of most of the people we've talked to.

Q. Who has this been pitched to?

A. (TRENNER) It's been pitched at every level. This has been pitched at executives of advertisers themselves, at group heads, at account executives, at meetings in agencies with groups of executives.

Q. Turning to a more general question now, what do you think about the possibility of a guaranteed technique being used by the other radio networks?

A. (TRENNER) We would be very happy if everybody did it. I think it would put a stability under our medium and under our industry so that when meetings went on in agencies and clients where media were being considered, network radio would get more consideration than it has been getting in the past year or so.

Q. Some network purchases are made very quickly, particularly when there's some extra budget money or there's some reason for going into a special campaign quickly. How long does it



take to get a figure on what the guarantee will be?

A. (TRENNER) Dick has this thing set up now so that two or three days we can let anybody know even on a complicated buy.

Q. Can a single client conceivably get more than one cost-per-1,000 guarantee. In other words, if a man is buying both daytime and nighttime, is it possible that you'd give him a cost-per-1,000 guarantee for his daytime purchase and a separate one for his righttime purchase?

A. (PUFF) I think there is a possibility he'd get two guarantees. Let's take the case, for example, of a cigarette. This client may say, "I want one general advertisement to reach everybody, to sell cartons in the supermarkets, and then I want another one that's tied to sports in some way."

Well, when you start narrowing lown the audience by being very specific, then it would not be sensible to say to him, well your guarantee will average with the other. You would then say to him, well your sports one will cost you about this and your general one will cost you about this.

Furthermore it's very conceivable n a case such as you are speaking about that they will not be running for the same length of time. One night be a 52-week contract and the other one a 26-week contract and in hat case you would necessarily want o have them separated.

Q. Does a client get a lower cost-per-1,000 guarantee if he runs for a longr term?

A. (TRENNER) Well, as far as that's concerned it all stems from our rate card. If the type of purchase makes is rate lower, and he gets the same cind of audiences, he is obviously going to have a lower cost-per-1,000. We haven't abandoned our rate card. This is all based on our rate card and a justification of that rate card. If you run for 52 weeks you get more discount than for 13 weeks. If you got the same kind of audience for the entire year you'd wind up with a ower cost-per-1,000.

Q. Tied in with the guaranteed circuation plan do you have any plans for special audience promotion, for addiion of new programs or for other teps that would tend to raise the ating level or improve your position in general? A. (TRENNER) We have rather definite plans. Mr. Monroe our program director isn't at this meeting but we have plans to improve our network and we're doing it all the time; the planning is pretty near off the drawing board now. But as a practical matter, whether we have the guarantee or not, it still applies that we have to do as we can all the time.

Q. Well would you say that there is a big shakeup or a big rejiggering operation in programing coming? A. (TRENNER) I wouldn't say a big shakeup or a rejiggering, I'd just say it was a general bolstering.

Q. Let's take a look ahead. There's been discussion about the possibility of network radio some day becoming a program service, a la A.P. where the network merely supplies the programing and the stations sell it themselves. What do you think?

A. (JACK POOR) I've heard it talked a lot about. It's a possibility. We don't anticipate it happening on our

again WFBC-TV Swamps Competition in Carolina 5-County* Pulse Survey

AREA PULSE SURVEY OF TELEVISION AUDIENCE (5 Counties) SHARE OF TELEVISION AUDIENCE DECEMBER 4-10, 1955

Time	TV Sets In Use	WPBC-TV	Station B	Station C	Station D	Other Stations
SUNDAY						
12 Noon-6:00 P.M.	35.7%	48%	24%	15%	8%	4%
6:00 P.MMidnight	51.3%	55%	23%	16%	2%	4%
MON. THRU FRI.						
7:00 A.M12:00 Noon	13.2%	64%	36%	0%	0%	0%
12:00 Noon-6:00 P.M.	25.5%	61%	21%	15%	3%	0%
6:00 P.MMidnight	46.0%	56%	18%	17%	3%	6%
SATURDAY			-		<u> </u>	
10:00-12:00 Noon	32.5%	70%	30%	0%	0%	0%
12:00 Noon 6:00 P.M.	27.3%	51%	31%	12%	2%	4%
6:00 P.MMidnight	54.6%	58%	16%	15%	6%	5%

*The five counties are Greenville, Anderson, Greenwood, and Spartanburg, S. C., and Buncombe (Asheville), N. C. . . . counties with Population of 600,700; Incomes of \$783,086,000; and Retail Sales of \$519,931,000.

For further information about this PULSE SUR-VEY and about the total WFBC-TV Market, contact the Station or WEED, our National Representative.



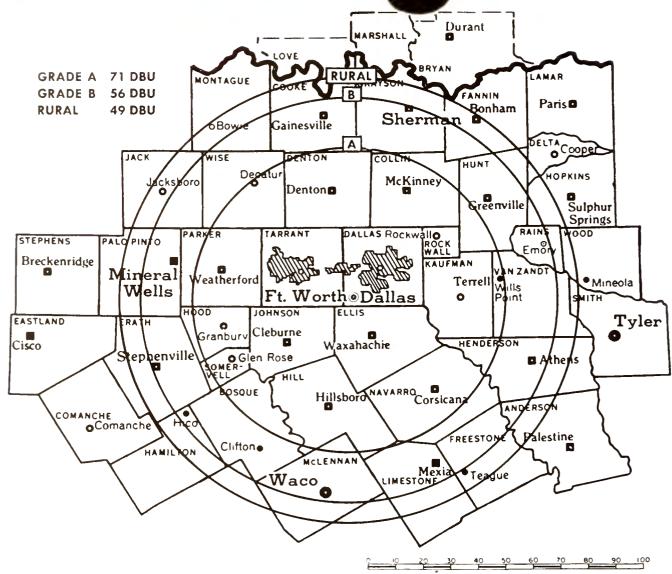
"The Giant of Southern Skies"

NBC NETWORK

WFBC-TV

Channel 4 Greenville, S. C.
Represented Nationally by
WEED TELEVISION CORP.

12 th Largest



CHANNEL 8

Your NBC-ABC Station

WFAA-T

Market!

Retail sales in two adjacent counties make Dallas-Fort Worth the nation's 12th ranking metropolitan area. The 40 additional counties in the North Texas market represent the metropolis' rich surrounding trade territory.

Check These Fabulous Facts:

Danish (20 Torres and 2	Effective Buying Income \$3,477,072,000
Population (39 Texas and 3 Oklahoma Counties) 2,272,600	Retail Sales \$2,582,192,000
Urban 1,603,900	(Source: Sales Management Survey of Buying Power, May 10, 1955)
Rural 668,700	SET COUNT

From atop Texas' tallest structure (1,521' above ground — 1,685' above average terrain) WFAA-TV's 316,000 watt signal has put added masses with added millions to spend within easy reach of all advertisers! Television Magazine has pinpointed 42 counties under the influence of the Dallas-Fort Worth television market.

A Television Service of The Dallas Morning News Ralph Nimmons, Station Manager Edward Petry & Co., National Representatives



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network for quite a while, if ever. I understand that some of the networks are considering that possibility.

Q. Have you ever actually considered it as a possibility, taken it up and studied it?

A. (POOR) We studied it extensively, yes. Not only recently either.

Q. Over a period of several years. Well what are the drawbacks as far as you're concerned?

A. (POOR) Well, we think that we can do a better job with the network as

it's now constituted than we could just supplying program service. We do, you know, supply a program service in effect on our co-op shows, some of which have been very successful. But we still think that network is a national advertising medium

Q. Tell me this, does Mutual show a profit?

A. (POOR) Yes

Q. And would you say as long as this network continues to show a profit

that you would not contemplate goir into that program service?

A. (POOR) I don't know whether the profit is the final determination as the whether we go into the program service or not. We figure we can supplie a better service to our affiliates constituted as we are, and also for the stations we own, than we could be just supplying programs. We know we can. But a lot of the zing goe out of it if you just supply programs. If it's a commercial advertising operation, why I think you've got a lot mor incentive to do a better job.

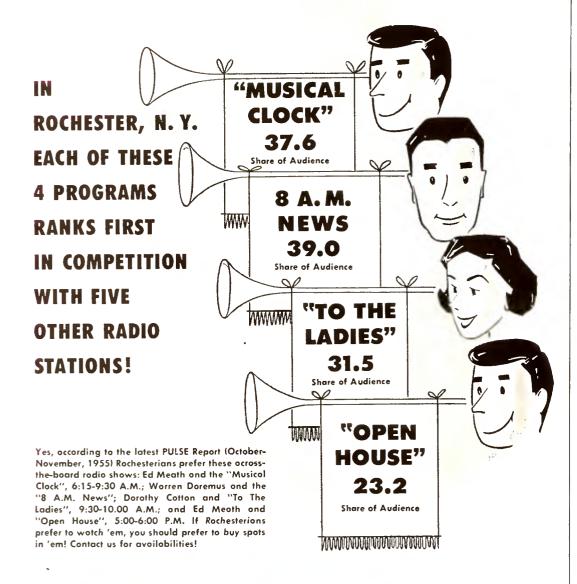
Q. You had a run-of-network an nouncements set-up that was an nounced, oh, perhaps a year ago. I. that continuing in effect today?

A. (TRENNER) It's still in effect but very frankly there are not too many people that are buying it and we're not pushing it too hard. It was instituted as an experiment and a competitive move because we were more or less forced into it; if it was available elsewhere we had to have such a service. But we still believe that you lose a lot of the benefit of network radio with that type of purchase.

Q. What do you think of the non-fixed position type of programing that is coming into use at some of the other networks where programing is not in the conventional quarter hour or half-hour lengths but in short segments. Do you people at Mutual contemplate going into similar short segment programing or do you think network radio ought to stay pretty much as it has been?

A. (POOR) We do have short segments, of course, in the five-minute newscasts, which is the best type of program to have in short segments. We don't believe that people just turn on the radio and don't know what they're getting. We think, and I think the results show, that people would rather turn on the radio to listen to a specific thing than to just turn it on and not know what they're going to be listening to . . . whether you turn it on to listen to music or drama or news.

SOME "FAN FARE"!



BUY WHERE THEY'RE LISTENING: _



PHONE DIRECTORY

(Continued from page 41)

day, for example, the pitch will be about directory listings of products or services needed around the house; later in the day, suggestions of where to head for entertainment; in the evening, places to go for a light snack. In the summer: where to get beach umbrellas or portable radios; after a storm: whom to call to fix the roof.

A survey taken among salesmen of Reuben H. Donnelley, sales agent for the directories, showed that 80% ranked tv as the most effective medium for Yellow Pages. Not only does tv achieve a broad exposure among users of the books, says Leonard, but it also reaches advertisers among this audience and tells them that the phone company is promoting the medium.

Proof of the size of its audience is the terrific mail response the company gets, though sometimes the company doesn't quite know what to do with some of the letters it receives. Someone in Berkeley, Cal., once wrote requesting the listings of "Big shots who live on Wall Street." This person was trying to sell land out there at \$15 an acre.

The company misses few opportunities to promote the directories. Reminder inserts are enclosed periodically with monthly phone bills; exhibit booths are taken at do-it-yourself and sportsmen's trade shows; and, not forgetting the audience consisting of its own 80,000 employees, the company reminds them via bulletin board memos, table tent cards in company cafeterias, matchbooks, pencils.

Result of this unceasing advertising and promotion drive is the largest Manhattan classified ever, with 89,817 advertisers. With some 2,000 pages, it's beginning to get unwieldy and may be difficult to bind if business continues to thrive.

Such problems, the company feels, should happen to all the classified directories it publishes. At the moment it puts out five big enough to require separate binding: Queens, Brooklyn, Bronx, and Nassau in addition to the Manhattan book. All the rest, including Staten Island, Westchester, Suffolk, Rockland and upstate areas, are still small enough to bind with the alphabetical directories.

Accuracy is vital, of course, since the Yellow Pages are published only



WBEN-TV FILLS <u>SECONDS</u> with YEARS and YEARS of EXPERIENCE

Into each precious second of your WBEN-TV spots goes the accumulation of years of technical television skill.

Projectionists, control engineers, cameramen and directors represent the ultimate in combined experience in handling your television commercials.

And to this background of mature skills and television know-how WBEN-TV adds its station philosophy of an uncompromising and scrupulous regard for QUALITY inherited from a quarter century of successful radio service and continued in 1948 when WBEN-TV pioneered television in Western New York.

To get the best from your commercials use the station that gives you the best in quality production . . . best in coverage. Use WBEN-TV!

YOUR TV DOLLARS COUNT FOR MORE ON CHANNEL 4...BUFFALO

WBEN

TV BUFFALO, N. Y.

WBEN-TV Representative Harrington, Righter and Parsons, Inc., New York, Chicago, San Francisco

"Here's Something to Remember About Sacramento!"



When you buy time on KCRA-TV

in Sacramento, California, you get

UNDUPLICATED NBC NETWORK COVERAGE IN 10 COUNTIES AND 176,260 TV HOMES

in the Sacramento television market.

This means no other NBC network programming reaches the tremendous buying power of these 10 California counties except KCRA-TV, Channel 31

Call Petry and buy KCRA-TV!



once a year. In this respect, says Leonard, they're purer than Ivory soap, are right 99.933% of the time. (The alphabeticals do even better: 99.976%.)

"Most advertisers," Leonard explains, "are small businessmen with few facilities for publicity. The Donnelly salesmen write the copy, lay out the ads and do everything else. For many businessmen this is their only advertising and they get most of their business from it. So great care must be taken not to get the address wrong or leave out an ad entirely."

Recently a consent decree involving over-all activities of the entire AT&T itself stipulated that the company was to be allowed to continue in the phonebook ad business as one of the exceptions in an order curtailing its scope of operations. In other respects the

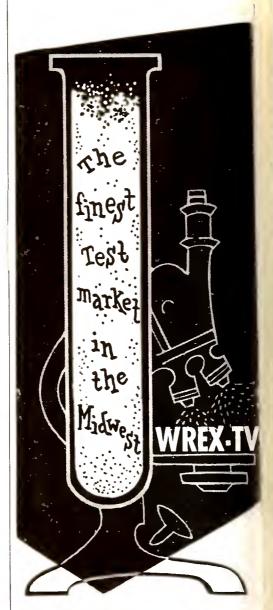
"Top management . . . must devote more of its resources toward . . . a close study of all those things that make up the marketing picture—the distributors' operations, pricing of merchandise, the public's wants, the overall advertising program . . . ??

PAUL S. WILLIS President, Grocery Manufacturers of America

decree required AT&T to issue licenses under its patents at reasonable fees to all applicants and forbade Western Electric and AT&T from engaging in any business other than furnishing communications services subject to government regulation. Western Electric is AT&T's manufacturing unit.

Besides sparing the multi-milliondollar business of the New York phone company, the decree was met with a sigh of relief by the other 22 associated companies in the AT&T family which run individual directory ad businesses. Each is autonomous with its own advertising manager. And, like the New York unit, several use tv animations in their promotion. These are resold to them by AT&T, which buys them from Cunningham & Walsh in New York. Right now they're 20-second bits, but C&W Account Supervisor Jerry Cowan says there's a good chance the agency will have to begin turning out minutes for those companies that feel, like New York Telephone, they need the longer period to tell their

In this activity C&W serves purely as a producer, gets a flat fee for the commercials ("which barely covers our



WREX-TV reoches the finest test market in the midwest—a perfect crass section of industrial ond agriculturol market potential!

1,000,000 pairs of eyes in a Billian Dollar Area! Top CBS and ABC New York shows capture the attentian of this vast market and DELIVER your sales message.

For **positive** coverage in this area, contact H-R far availabilities!

WREX-TV channel 13
ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS
CBS-ABC AFFILIATIONS
represented by
H-R TELEVISION INC.

production costs," Cowan says), does not place the business and, consequently, does not share in commissions.

C&W got into the act, according to Cowan, when one of these companies asked AT&T to help it get some to spots made. The parent company called in some of the other subsidiaries, asked them if they'd like to use to too. They said they would. Several, in fact, had ried to have their respective ad agencies produce them but none did so satisfactorily. Thereupon AT&T turned to C&W, which has been furnishing them since. (The agency also handles some magazine and newspaper ads for the company.)

BBDO, meanwhile, had been creating *live* one-minute spots for Pacific l'elephone Co. (including Washington, Dregon, California, Nevada.)

pther campaigns: Besides its directory ad drive the New York Telephone Co. also has ad campaigns going for 1) long distance calls and (2) color and extension sales. Together they'll account for over \$500,000 in 1956, PONSOR estimates, with air media geting 60-70% of the expenditure.

The long distance drive will get the ion's share all along the line, probably neluding around \$350.000 for tv and adio, of which \$300,000 will go for tv. n this push the company concentrates in announcements after 6 p.m. daily and all day Sunday, when lower phone ates go into effect, emphasizing the conomy of these hours to impel cusomers to make their calls "now."

Downstate tv and radio average bout 35 announcements every week. It is spread over several stations right along. The radio pitches are rotated mong four stations, one station geting the whole boodle each week to apture as much as possible of its loyal audience.

Upstate, where tv formerly consisted of only one announcement or so a veek, the company employs different actics: it bunches its attack into fourveek thrusts four times a year in which it uses five announcements each veek during March, April, October and November, a total of 80 a year. Ipstate radio is a different story. There it's on year-round with five spots week on every one of the some 0 stations.

Results? So far sales are up 10% or the whole state since the campaign regan in July 1954.

The color and extension campaign is estimated at about \$100,000 for air media, with some \$80,000 of that for tv. The schedule calls for 10 tv announcements (20s and IDs) a week in both upstate and downstate areas. Radio commercials are a minute long, 15 a week in the downstate area, again lumped together and rotating on each of four stations; and, as in the long distance campaign, five a week in some 90 stations in the rest of the state.

Results? Before the campaign started in the spring of 1955, delivery of extensions, in black or color, was immediate. Production has tripled, but there is now a wait of several weeks on some colors.

Besides these three merchandising campaigns the New York company, like the entire Bell System, conducts a continuous institutional effort year-in, year-out, to stress courtesy and efficiency of employees, suggest the telephone company as a place to work, urge cooperation between party line users, explain new developments such as changes in the dial system, etc. This non-selling effort alone probably costs an additional several hundred thousand dollars sponsor figures.

At one time the New York company was looking for a program as a vehicle for its various messages. Like most utilities, it wanted one with dignity, prestige. No sports, variety, or quiz shows. News and dramatic shows, it felt, were too risky, too prone to controversy. As a publicly regulated company, it wanted to avoid any trace of suspicion of bias in its handling of current affairs. All of which left only a program of good music. But this was too expensive. Anyway, AT&T already has the Telephone Hour and has just bought a half-hour series of documentaries to start soon, and to which all associated companies must contribute. It can't afford both, so will stick with announcements on spot tv and radio for the present. (AT&T's new series, incidentally, will be produced by John "Passing Parade" Nesbitt.)

Net income of the New York company last year was nearly \$70 million good for \$7.73 a share, compared with over \$62 million and \$7.55 a share in 1954. Nevertheless the company calls it a poor earning, hopes to improve its poistion in 1956 and make its regular dividend of \$8.00 a share.

DOUBLE EXPOSURE!

Millions watch RED FOLEY and TENNESSEE ERNIE FORD on television each week!

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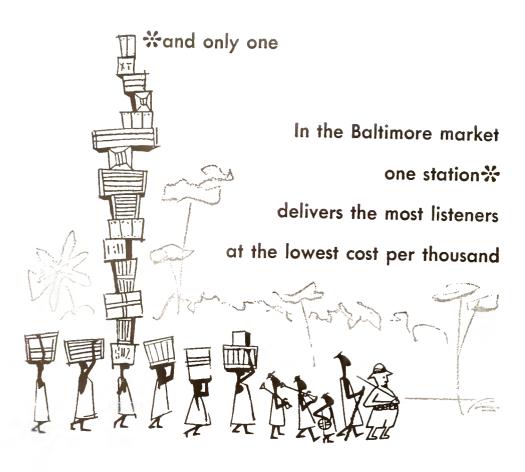


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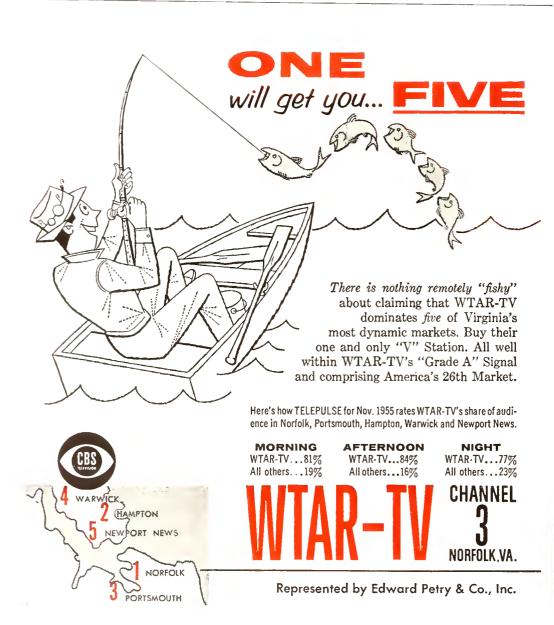
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COMMERCIAL COSTS

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sounded pleased at the results of SPONsor's analysis of commercial spending:

"This only proves what I've been preaching all along: Clients who are reluctant to spend freely on commercials are figuring all wrong. The idea of putting out \$10, \$15 or even \$20,000 for one minute of film seems to give them sleepless nights. On the other hand at the cost of a program today, a \$20,000 commercial repeated 10 or 20 times can be regarded as dirt-cheap."

An interesting point of view favoring higher commercial spending comes from a former print media art director now in charge of tv commercials at one of the important agencies:

"If advertisers would only remember what their tv dollars buy in comparison to print for instance. Take a center-spread in *Life* for \$70,000. How many people will look at it for one full minute? The same money spent wisely on tv can buy 30,000,000 viewers glued to their sets, listening to every word you have to say. Tv commercial costs may be high, but they would be cheap at twice the price."

A number of agency people felt it was particularly important to have extra commercial money around for experimentation. Said the radio-ty director at one agency heavy in the soap and detergent field:

"Not only do we want our clients to spend more money for commercials, we're trying to persuade them to allocate a rotating fund. Such a fund will enable us to continuously work on new ideas, to try out new processes and techniques. This would give us a chance to have a backlog of tried ideas, ready for use when needed. Working like that, without the greedy eyes of a deadline looking over our shoulder, we could do a much better job."

In many cases, of course, heavy spending is dictated by the kind of product involved. There is no better example than the auto firms, who dole out money for commercials from a seemingly never-emptied till. This is true whether the commercials are live or film. An adman working on an account spending heavily on live commercials said:

"We're supposed to sell cars. Nearly everybody will agree that cars today are mechanically excellent. So what we have to sell is beauty, line, style,



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MORE audience

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- ★ All 10 top daytime shows
- ★ All 10 top evening shows

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LEADERSHIP—Morning, Afternoon, Night
TOP RATINGS - TOP VALUE



gaiety. It's a happy mood we want the public to associate with our cars. So we get the best dancers, singers, choreographers, build beautiful sets and the car's gleaming beauty is part of this happy scene and becomes associated with it in the viewer's mind. It's an expensive way of doing it, but for us it works."

Another auto adman, whose commercials were on film, backed up the need for expensive auto commercials, but for another reason. He explained:

"A car is not just something to look at, like a picture on the wall. It's a necessary tool in the lives of most families and what they are interested in is usefulness, economy, dependability. Sure, style is important, but style alone does not sell the mass automobile. So we go into the field and show our product at work. In the small towns, cities, on farms, on rough country roads and super highways. This means location crews, tens of thou-

66Under present marketing conditions, the maker must fight a two-fold campaign: he must battle for space for his product at the store level and he must fight for his share of the consumer's

> W. HOWARD CHASE V.p. and General Executive McCann-Erickson, Inc.

sands of feet of film, travel-expenses and long-range planning, all of which is expensive. But thank heaven our client agrees with us that money spent on commercials is money earned."

In discussions about spending higher sums for commercials the question that often comes up is: More money for what? SPONSOR asked a number of tv-radio executives this question. The tv-radio chief of one agency answered:

"Hire better talent. Creative talent, that is. Copywriters who have an entertainment or film background and who can be counted on to come up with new and exciting ideas. Guys who haven't become jaded by years of writing advertising copy for print or radio before graduating to tv. There isn't enough originality in this business, but originality doesn't come cheap.

"Creative talent? There's plenty of it around, and there's certainly enough money in this business to pay for it. The problem actually lies with the sponsor in many cases. Sponsors are

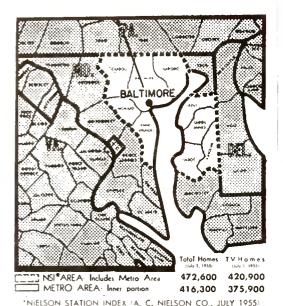


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- ★ 9 of the top 10 multi-weekly shows
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not and should not be endowed with the ability to either create or visualize commercial ideas. But they feel that paying the bills gives them the right to voice opinions on the subject with finality. More good ideas have gone into the wastebasket at client meetings than have ever been translated into actual film or live commercials."

Another adman agreed with the above premise that the best people are not producing commercials today. But he didn't blame the sponsor for this situation. His finger pointed at his own colleagues. Here's how he put it:

"Sponsors are paying too much for commercials as it is. In actual fact advertisers have been and still are charged with and are paying for the apprenticeship of most agency-men and commercial producers. For some reason or other this business seems to be infested with people who don't know their business. Granted film is hard to know, but instead of going out and hiring producers with years of Hollywood experience, some of the biggest agencies are ordering important consmercial campaigns from guys who are actually salesmen, former still photog-1apliers or what-have-you.

"What do they really know about film? The fact is, we agency-men feel uncomfortable in the presence of really experienced film producers, because they can sense how much we don't know. We are more comfortable with fellow-newcomers to the film field. But lack of experience results in mistakes and mistakes on film are the most expensive mistakes one can make."

Not money alone: Just where the idea that advertisers should spend 10% of their tv budget on commercials criginated is not clear. One tv-radio agency chief said he thought it came from thinking in terms of print where 10% for production costs is a common figure. For that reason alone, he said, it should be looked on with suspicion. "Tv." he said, "is similar to nothing. Each medium must stand on its own requirements."

Another theory is that 10% represents the amount of commercial time on a show so that when an advertiser has a 30-minute show with three minutes of commercial he should, therefore, spend commercial money equivalent to one-tenth the show cost.

One veteran adman snorted at this

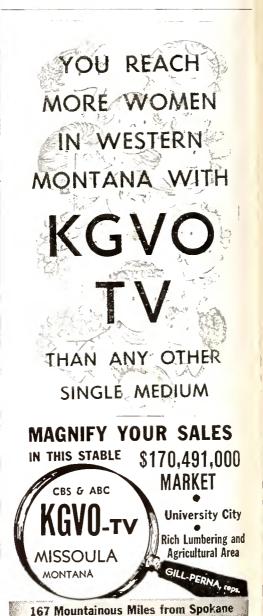
theory. In radio, he said, commercial were likely to be a hundredth of the show cost even though the commerciations was the same proportion of show costs as in tv. "Nobody ever talked about 10% in those days," he said.

Whatever the reason, admen who fight the we-must-spend-more-money on-commercials thinking take the stand that you can't generalize about such a complicated question as this and that furthermore, fancy commercials don't necessarily do a better selling job.

An agency man, peering somewhat tiredly across an intricate story board for a beer commercial, told SPONSOR: "Everybody is looking for general rules. There aren't any. In the past we've spent upwards of \$12,000 for an intricate one-minute commercial, only to find that a simple \$2,000 job was selling the goods. All you can do is research and experiment, and realize that what turns out to be right for us, will be wrong for the next fellow."

SPONSOR was told by the assistant to the president of an agency with large tobacco billings:

"It's not a question of more money.



The money at hand should be put to more efficient use. Production costs will not improve a poor idea and a good idea can often be put on film for next to nothing. The important thing is simplicity. And simplicity seems to become rarer from day to day. Both agencies and sponsors are at fault here. Trick photography and all kinds of effects are the order of the day. Every product must jump at the viewel. Every copy must zoom from the screen into huge dimensions until the viewer feels like a target in a shooting gallery. All this is costly and it's my opinion that a simple and honest straight-forward pitch does a much letter selling job."

A similar comment came from the account supervisor whose accounts included an appliance firm:

"Much of the cost of commercials is caused by an unexplainable (to me) desire of admen to present their sales pitch in the guise of capsule entertain-

it is necessary to teach the consumer that in order to satisfy his motives, he should purchase the advertiser's brand. It is in this, the teaching process, where advertising media have their prime function.

LESTER R. FRANKEL V.p. and Technical Director Alfred Politz Research, Inc.

ment. A man interested in buying a tyset doesn't want to hear a sexy voice engage in lengthy but somewhat inane banter with a male singer-turned-commercial-announcer while a grey suede glove performs odd contortions on the screen. He wants to see the set, know he price and special features with the least amount of embroidery."

An executive of one of tw's top penders said the whole question of how much money should be spent on commercials was complicated by such factors as the mood of the show. Here are his words:

"Our company spends way in excess of a million dollars a year on commercials and we are quite willing to spend more. The fact is that the commercial seems to be the greatest mystery in twoday. Time and again we think we have a great idea. We spend large sums to have it translated into film-terms, only to find that it won't sell. Sometimes it's the fault of the commercial. That means we've been wrong in the beginning. At other times a weak commercial suddenly becomes

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OCTOBER THRU DECEMBER, 1955

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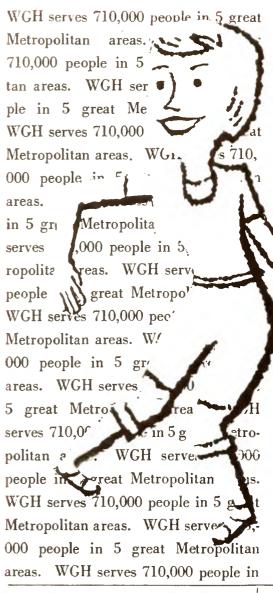
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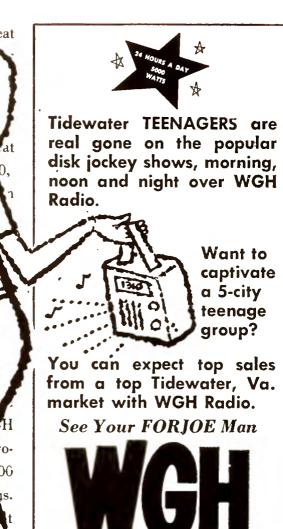
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The assumption that reruns of film commercials will invariably make them a cheap proposition was considered

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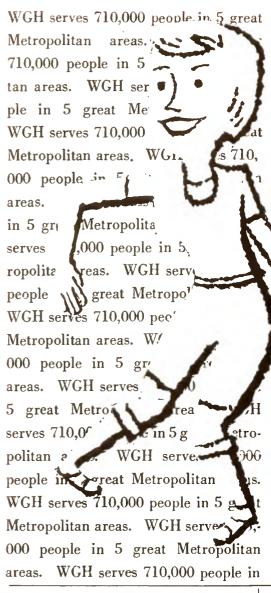
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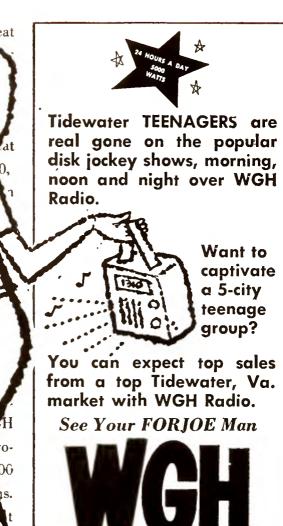
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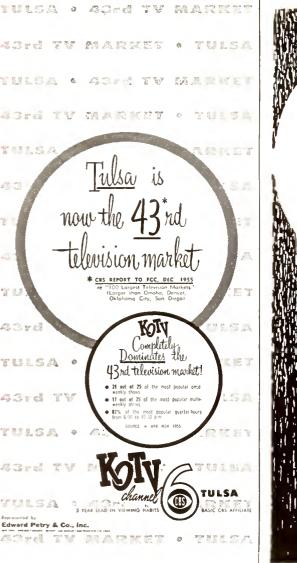
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Anson prices range from \$1.50 cuff links and tie clips and \$2.50 sets of both to \$10 sets and upwards in custom jobs. The tv effort is principally devoted to the low and medium-priced line. but Anson is beginning to push \$7.50 to \$35 sets.

"When we began making jewelry, we felt that men's jewelry particularly needed new methods of merchandising and a new medium to promote it," Anderson told sponsor. "We wanted ty. But we had to wait eight years before we could afford it.

Anderson is a large, powerfully built man with traces of Swedish accent who literally tooled his \$22 million enterprise in a small machine shop. "I'm a tool and die maker by trade," he says. After World War II he put his knowledge of jewelry-making tools and machinery into creating a new consumer jewelry line.

Anson Jewelry was born in 1945, with limited capital. There were giant competitors in the men's jewelry field at the time, each with an advertising budget which alone would have sufficed to buy out the new firm. There are no official figures for over-all sales of men's jewelry. But industry sources

claim that today only Swank still outranks Anson in volume. by some \$2 million in annual turnover at retail

"We advertised from the first day on," says Anderson. "But because of our limited funds we had to concentrate directly on our customers, the retail jewelers. So we confined ourselves to trade advertising for the first few years."

Even today a large chunk of Anson's total \$750.000 budget goes into advertising for the trade: \$50.000 into tradepapers, \$75,000 for mailings to retailers. \$175,000 for point of sale material that's usually tied in with tv. The remaining \$450,000 pays for Stop the Music.

Currently. Anson sponsors the show on a 68-station lineup plus 18 stations in Canada, alternating its U.S. show with Necchi Sewing Machines (also through Grey Advertising).

How can Anson afford \$29,000 in time costs plus \$40,000 for talent costs of each show?

"That's easy." Coulthurst told spoxsor. "We actually have only 10 minutes of each of our 20 shows. The remaining 20 minutes are sponsored by

Jacoby-Bender Watchbands and Var Heusen Shirts, who're members o Quality Goods, a Grey Advertising group of clients that buys the show as a package."

The Quality Goods arrangement is fairly recent. Originally, Anson co sponsored its half-hour with Var Heusen Shirts only. But the cost burder was too much for the firm. In fall. Coulthurst approached Jacoby-Bender Watchbands and interested them in the show. When J-B decided to sign on in January 1956, the watchband manufacturer appointed Grey as its agency.

"There are drawbacks to the arrangement," Coulthurst admits. "Naturally, some commercial impact is lost

66The real question for us is, first, how to secure dignified proceedings in court-rooms and, second, how to insure the dignified portrayal thereof by the media of information. And in this connection, it is well to consider the potentialities of television JUDGE JUSTIN MILLER

Consultant for NARTB

when you split up a half-hour. But our results still make the show a good buy for us."

One factor that tends to dilute commercial effectiveness even further, how ever. is beyond the three sponsors control, and hinges upon Lou Cowan. who packages the show. As in most giveaway shows, the prizes are donated by various manufacturers in return for free plugs. It's a practice that tends to worry the cash client.

"For the \$35.- to \$40,000 weekly gross show cost that Lou Cowan charges the client." Coulthurst told sponsor. "He pays the agency commission, hires the orchestra and Bert Parks and takes care of the jackpot. We don't actually have any word about the prizes."





The client does, however, indirectly fluence the show format. Certain canges are now being considered to reamline the show and bring it in the with competitive practices. It's likely that the jackpot will be rected, but the show may capitalize the return of name bands.

Starting last fall, Anson began exprimenting with spot tv and radio in few limited test markets. Last Septiber the firm placed an average of ce minute film commercial weekly in fiture film packages that retail judges bought in six cities. When saible, Anson's spot tv and radio numercials end with dealer tags.

"We've seen results even in the brief ad limited pre-Christmas campaign," (ulthurst adds. "While our national arrage increase for fall 1955 over fall 154 was 33%, the six spot tv cities swed a 40% increase."

In February 1956 Anson tested spot r'io in Providence, R. I. (head-carters for Anson). Boston and hany. During the three-week test, son ran a total of 1,500 announcernts pushing the current "Port-of-ll" promotion. This radio test has ct Anson under \$15,000.



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"We bought early-morning and lateafternoon d.j. shows on independent stations, because we found that this is the type of radio which follows women around the house," says Coulthurst. "Often the ratings of our commercials far outpulled competing network ratings and at a lower cost. By next fall, we'll probably be adding both spot ty and spot radio to our regular advertising schedule."

Anson's air media copy, be it on network or on a spot basis, actually fights a paradox in men's jewelry buying habits.

"We know that women buy it for their men," says Anderson. "But you've got to create the desire for owning jewelry in the man. That's why we don't want to overlook the biggest potential market for our line the teen-agers. Our motto is the same as women's: Win the boy and you've got the man."

Anson's radio commercials are typical of the firm's attempt at this dual appeal:

"From all the romantic corners of the world comes the inspiration for the

66... 'Quiet Evangelists' are providing essential dynamics or motivating force which is gradually producing a revolution in our industry. This group is the unheralded volunteer researchers who... are giving prodigally of their time, talents and energies for the benefit of our industry. 99

G. MAXWELL ULE Chairman, Audience Concept Committee, ARF

very newest fashion in men's jewelry—the 'Port-of-Call' collection by Anson!

"This collection of highly original cuff links and tie clip sets captures all the color and atmosphere of six foreign lands. There's Scandinavia, France, the Far East, Italy, South of the Border, and Britannia—steeped in historic pageantry. All the romance of medieval England is reflected in 'The Crusader'—just one of five matching sets in Anson's British series. 'Crusader' cuff links are a handsome replica of an ancient warrior's battle shield—the tie clip a striking reproduction of his sward, all finished in gleaming lifetime Rhodium.

"Choose from six different Anson 'Port-ofCall.' 30 individually designed sets. Priced from \$3.50 to \$8.50. The Anson 'Port-of-Call' Collection, featured



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at better jewelry stores throughout the Boston area. See it this week at (Name of store)."

Anson's current radio and tv copy represents a departure from the firm's earlier advertising concepts. Like its competitors in men's jewelry. Anson began advertising to consumers originally via national magazines. Back in 1946 the firm bought limited space in Saturday Evening Post, Life and other mass-circulation family magazines. However, the entire advertising effort was directed at seasonal promotions: Father's Day, Christmas, Valentine's Day and other special gift occasions.

In 1952 Anderson went to see Arthur Fatt. president (then executive v.p.) of Grey Advertising and told him he wanted to put Anson on tv.

"It'll be very expensive," Fatt warned him doubtfully.

66This season's campaign is for this season, not for the future. Enchantment for enchantment's sake has been replaced by reason-why sales.??

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Anderson thought it over for a split second. "That's all right," said he, convinced that to would catapult Anson sales into men's jewelry major league.

In April 1952 Anson began sponsoring *The Kate Smith Show*, NBC TV, Wednesdays 8:00-9:00 p.m., for half an hour on alternate weeks.

"We stayed on through June," says Anderson, adding candidly, "Mainly because we couldn't afford more. But in that short time. Kate Smith, through cur advertising, put sterling silver back on jewelers' shelves."

During World War II this metal had fallen into disrepute. Inferior product had had to be used of shortages, and many things stamped "Stering Silver" tarnished. Anson's executives credit Kate Smith completely with giving the public confidence in sterling silver again.

"And our sterling silver line's been the biggest since then." says Anderson.

During the next year, Anson bought 60 five-minute participations on NBC TV's Today show, went off the air for a summer hiatus in spring 1954 and returned a few months later with Stop the Music.

ROUND-UP

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Alice Jackson, of WJAR-TV, Proidence, R.I., helped celebrate the opeing of a Barton's Bonbonnaire concesion at the Outlet, Providence's large department store, with a special program called *The Sweetest Story Evo Told*. Present for the 30 minute liveshow, which featured a film on the making of Barton's candies, was Batton's Chairman of the Board Herber. Tenzer. Also on hand was Outlet presedent Alfred E. Darby.



Outlet President Darby (I.) and Barton's Tenze

E. F. Hutton & Co. and station KMPC celebrated the 5,000th program of Business News which has been sponsored by the investment brokerage firm every weekday for the past 19 years. In a ceremony at the company's office on Spring Street, in Los Angeles' financial center, an anniversary cake was presented to Gordon B. Crary, Sr. senior partner in the investment company, by Robert O. Reynolds, v.p. and general manager of KMPC.

Window, which was previewed in



"It's those Super-Six personalities on KRIZ Phoenix that really slay me."

arly January by members of the Naional Retail Dry Goods Association, bremiered in New York on WRCA-V recently. The five-minute color how, telecast twice daily at 8:55 and):55 a.m., features Pegeen Fitzgerald, who showcases all kinds of departnent store merchandise.

Disk jockeys and hi-fi fans take ote. Janet Segal. a programing diector at New York's well known clasical music station, WQXR, has rought to SPONSOR's attention a new ecord cleaning device called Static laster. Simply by brushing the recrd about to be played once or twice ith SM every trace of dust, including ginute particles the eye might miss, is emoved. For perfect listening. Mrs. egal uses the brush before testing new ecords at the WQXR studios. Accordng to the manufacturer a radioactive olonium strip built into the brush oes the trick. The product is availble for \$17.85 p.p. from Nuclear roducts Co., 10173 East Rush St., 1 Monte, California.

Ben Ludy, general manager of VIBW, Topeka, Kansas, recently wrote PONSOR an interesting letter concernng a public service campaign being arried on by his station that is aimed t increasing meat sales in the middleest and southwest. To introduce the ampaign, Ludy sent 963 broadcasters stters explaining how radio can do a neat selling job for the livestock inustry which has refused all governnent subsidies. The letter pointed out nat if the united efforts of the broadasters can create a 10% increase in neat consumption the prices to the armers will adjust themselves. Along ith Ludy's letter went a mimeoraphed list of 34 ID's which he sugested the broadcasters use. "Our rive," he wrote, "is to have a minium of 40 to 50 of these ID's each



day, 7 days a week for at least 13 weeks. We'll then have a story on the power of radio beyond any stretch of the imagination." Sample ID's are, "For flavor that's tops—try roasts, steaks and chops" and "For family appeal—eat beef, pork and veal." Sounds like radio with plenty of sponsor appeal.

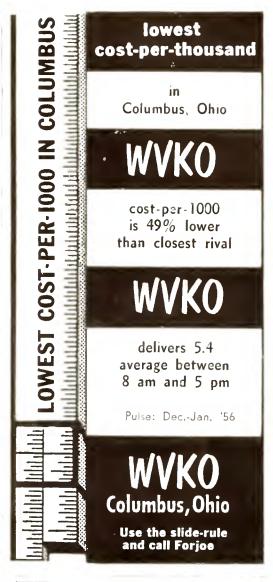
Science Fiction Theatre commenced its second year of production in February with Ziv telefilm noting that renewals are coming in at a "brisk clip." One advertiser, Olympia Brewing, will air the show in 21 markets including San Francisco, Los Angeles. Seattle, San Diego and Spokane.

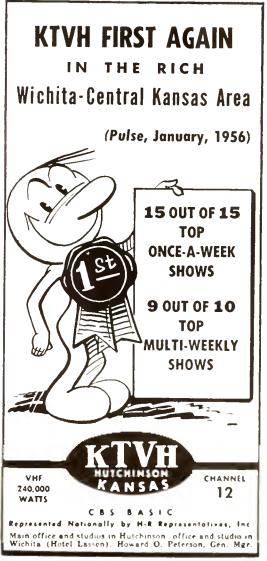
UPA Pictures, Inc. has moved to new and larger quarters at 60 East 56th Street, in New York City where 50 to 60% of the outfit's ty commercial announcements will be produced. The Burbank studio will handle the remainder.

Pepsi Cola recently purchased 15,000 gallons of International Harvester anti-freeze. Have no fear, however; it's not for a new winterized soft drink but rather for the Pepsi Cola spectacular on Times Square which features a giant man-made waterfall. The idea is to mix the anti-freeze with the water in the sign to keep it from freezing when city temperatures dip.

A moving mechanical brain is one way of describing Tobor. tv's newest personality, whose debut will be made sometime in April. Here Comes Tobor is the name of the series in which he will star. Tobor, whose name spelled backwards is robot, will play the part of a little boy's companion in adventure. According to Guild Films which is producing the series, Tobor's electronic innards will respond to all types of stimuli, physical as well as psychological. Sounds like one of those things that has to be seen to be believed.

Win a million and pay Uncle Sam about \$360. Sounds pretty good, but there's a catch. The million refers to Italian lire, worth about \$1,800. That's the top prize on the latest giveaway show titled Million Lire Quiz, which is being sponsored by Gallo Wines on WATV. Newark, N. J. Contestants on the Carlo Venti production are actually paid off in Italian bills, which they







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Speaking of millions in cash giveaways. KPTV, Portland. Oregon, is sending out bank notes worth ten million each to promote their higher tower and million watt power which they say permits a 10-fold better selling job. The bank note, dated August, 1923, is an inflated million mark bill issued by the German Reichsbank.

Miss Lola Montez has been appointed Community Projects Director for WBRC radio and tv, the Birmingham, Alabama outlets for the Storer Broadcasting Corporation. Miss Montez will work on numerous civic projects in cooperation with local business groups, civic organizations and the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce.

For \$200, professional newcomers to tv and radio, as well as students of the media, can attend a six week training program offered by Barnard College at the NBC studios in New York City. The courses, to be taught by professionals, will begin 25 June. Applications for admission should be made before 1 June. Forms may be obtained from Miss Susanne S. Davis, 112 Milbank Hall, Barnard College, New York 27. N. Y.

Over 12,000 persons are expected to attend the 10th Annual Exhibit and Symposium of the Point-Of-Purchase Advertising Institute, Inc., to be held on April 10, 11, 12 at the Hotel Sheraton Astor in New York City. There will be exhibits set up by national advertisers to demonstrate how point-of-purchase advertising it tied in with other media such as ty and radio.

SESAC marked its 25th anniversary with a handsome silver-covered portfolio full of congratulatory notes from subscribers. Also included was the fact that over 98% of the entire radio industry has signed SESAC Performance Licencess. Congratulations from SPONSOR to SESAC and its president Paul Heinecke.

Radio Philatelia, is a new and interesting book of stamps connected with the field of radio and tv. It was written by a man whose first contact with radio was in 1924 when he created

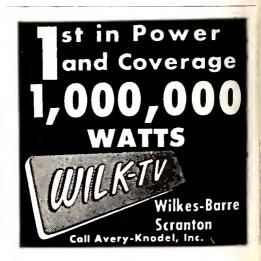
a stamp program for one of the earl stations. Herbert Rosen, who authore the book, now is the head of his own company Tv-Unlimited, Inc. His boo is published by the Audio-Maste Corp., 17 E. 45th Street.

Tv gets nosier every day in it search for new subjects with which to entertain and inform. Report from Parliament Hill, originating in Ottawa Canada, has turned its tv eye on the Canadian Parliament whose members record a weekly report to their constituents. Presently over 80 governmen radio stations carry the messages free of charge. They are attempting to arouse a greater interest in, and give more information about, public affairs They also are seeking to bring the members of Parliament closer to their constituents.

ABC intends to make sure that when politicos get in front of two cameras later this year, they'll be a comfortable and photogenic as possible. With this in mind, ABC is setting up tuition-free two Coaching Schools across the country, at which the faculty will be news veterans from the net's own two station staffs.

National Radio Week has been designated as May 13th through 19th in a joint announcement made by the NARTB, the National Appliance and Radio-Tv Dealers Association, the RAB and the Radio Electronics Television Manufacturers Association.

60 miles of tape were used to gather interviews for a Westinghouse Broadcasting Company public service series that went on the air yesterday. Moderated by Miss Helen Parkhurst. Growing Pains puts the spotlight on teenagers. Each program features an interview with adolescents representing



minority group in their particular ity. The shows, taped in various cities hroughout the U.S., are completely mrehearsed.

WRC and WRC-TV, Washington,). C., have won a Leadership Contest mong NBC-owned stations. The ward for merit in "interpreting and urthering the American way of life" vent to the capitol stations for prorams presented during the last six nonths of '55. Among the subjects ired were a tv series on the problems of the aged; a half hour film on social liseases; 40 recorded messages made by congressmen on a variety of matters flecting the nation; and 10,000 free public service announcements. The ward was accepted for the stations by heir General Manager, Carleton D. mith.

Leonard Hole's Can You Make 'eople Laugh? appears in this month's sue of the Ameriaan Magazine. The nswer to his question must be affirmave (at least for Hole) because as irector of program development at IBC, he's in charge of comedy deelopment worth millions of dollars.

Broadcasting the News is the title f a new handbook on radio newsasting written by Tom Franklin. newsaster for KING, Seattle. Although ranklin's book is unlike most textooks, in that it makes entertaining pading, it has been selected for class se by the University of Washington Seattle. Copies are available through



"Daddy, couldn't we buy one of those nice homes advertised on KRIZ Phoenix? John wants to marry me, but he doesn't like this location."

Pageant Press, Box S, 130 West 42nd St., New York.

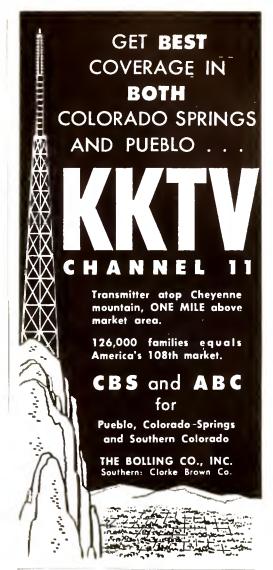
St. Patty's Day is past but the spirit jingles on in the pockets of at least 2,000 advertising agency personnel who received imported Irish coppers from WBZ radio, the Westinghouse Broadcasting Co. affiliate in Boston. WBZ also named Miss Marie Kelly its Irish Queen for the Gaelic holiday.

Promotion comes in many forms. KITE, San Antonio, Texas sends out some of the most unusual. A *One Shot Shaver* was the most recent to reach sponsor. Complete with foamy soap in a plastic envelope and a minature razor, the "Gadget of the Month" was smaller than a matchbook. All this and FM too?

Captain Kidd, a new half hour tv series went into production for Television Programs of America last week. Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., is producing the series in England for TPA which has put four other new shows into production within the last two months. The others are: Hawkeye, Last of the Mohicans, Tugboat Annie, New York Confidential, and One False Step.

Radio received a pat on the back from author Aldous Huxley, when CBS produced his "Brave New World" on its Radio Workshop. Said Huxley, in part, "After the invention of printing, the minstrel and the story teller became extinct; and the philosopher retired to his study. They were brought back in modern dress by the radio. There is still . . . a very important place for spoken literature, for words set free from the limitations of the stage . . . appealing directly to the imagination.'

"We Feed Lyons to the People" is "A tale for eagey time buyers" told in a promotion piece mailed out by WLW-TV. "Let Lyons feed your story to the spectators in our colosseum" the piece goes on to say. Lyons is Ruth Lyons the station's mistress of ceremonies on the "50-50 Club" and her popularity is such that the Columbus Citizen published a souvenir edition for fans who attended a special performance of the club at Franklin County Veterans Memorial Hall in Columbus. The special edition made up





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of three pages of the station's promotion piece.

A conservative estimate of 40,000,000 viewers saw Richard over NBC-TV stations. Among them were many youngsters who watched it as part of ther week-end homework assignment. In New York City, James McAndrew, director of broadcasting for the Board of Education, informed sponsor that 40 curriculum assistants alerted teaching staffs to include the show in assignments wherever possible.

A tv newsreel camera was given a day in court as part of a panel discussion on the topic Should Judicial Proceedings Be Televised? The occasion was the Junior Town Meeting of the Air telecast over WRCV, Philadelphia. Done as a demonstration of how silent a tv newsreel camera can be, the demonstration was termed "highly effective." Judge Carroll, in whose court the demonstration took place, has alowed occasional use of newspaper candid cameras but has never allowed tv or newsreel cameras while court was in session.

AGENCIES' 15%

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sion plus mechanical costs of producing an ad and commission on those costs take care of agency remuneration. Yet in tv there's a blanket 15% commission on talent costs whether the agency has any word on content of the show or not. A number of admen feel that a distinction should be made in agency remuneration between shows agencies do service and shows they can hardly influence at all.

"There should be a compensatory cut in the cost to the client of having the show serviced when the time rates increase without a proportionate increase in the agency's work," an automotive adman said. "In other words, when an agency's gross income from the media buy increases, be it through a rate increase or extended lineup, without the agency rendering any more service, the client should get some sort of discount for show servicing."

Those who support the idea of revising package show commissions point out that the 15% on shows is merely a carryover from printed media. And it was not meant to apply to editorial

matter. A realignment of payment of agencies for handling tv shows, ty reason, doesn't constitute an attack nuther commission system as a whole.

A number of admen who are satisfied with package show comresions would prefer a system of fee and retainer to the agency beyond the retainer to the retainer to the agency beyond the retainer to the agency beyond the retainer to the retainer t

"The argument for uniformity from commission among media is a prewak one," a drug company produmanager says. "In the first place, the are exceptions already. Outdoor, one, pays 16.67% to agencies. Sondly, agencies are first to admit the they earn different rates of profit from the various media. So there's no uniformity now either. It seems mulmore unjust to have one medium profor others than to have different rates of payment for each."

"There's need now for a fact-finding group of agencymen and advertises both," one major tv sponsor suggests "They could look into various aspect of the commission system and weight

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ecommendations for revisions."

or ratings between the major networks is an important factor in the alent cost spiral. But the agencies have done little to hold the cost line. Even when an agency discovers and levelops new talent, such as a new omedian, it's a cinch that his price will be in line with competing performers by the second season he's on the ir, clients pointed out.

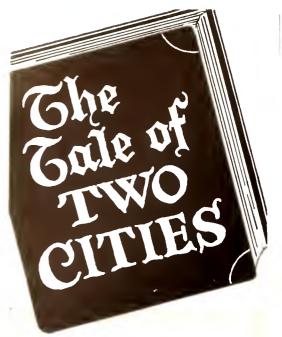
"I'd feel a lot easier if I were paying the agency a fee for selecting and ervicing a show we're to put on network," the advertising director of a arge paper company told sponsor. With a commission on the show cost, he agency will not drive as hard a barain to hold the talent cost lines as it rould if its remuneration were fixed and secure and independent of the cost of the package. At any rate, an agency ecommendation is constantly suspect a the part of my management, because agency income hinges on our pending."

. Precedents: Though clients are eluctant about disclosing such arangements, it's no secret on Madison wenue that a number of advertisers ave made deals in the past by-passing gency commission on tv packages. It's ell known that an automotive comany and a major drug firm both did ot pay commissions on their half-hour rama shows. In fact, the automotive ompany, no longer on network ty, is upposed to have been the original netork sponsor to break with tradition. More recently, package commissions ere mentioned as a major factor in oe rupture between Revion and Nornan, Craig & Kummel. A pharmaeutical company went so far as to hire producer and put him on staff to upervise their show, thereby cutting ut a major air media agency, which ot the account only recently. A rapid witchover from one agency to another y a beverage account in the past nonth was due to the fact that the new gency agreed to forego show comnissions.









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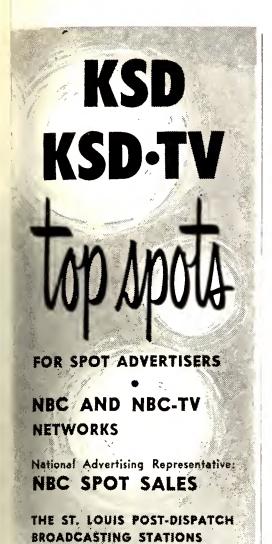


Frank Marx, v.p. in charge of engineering for ABC, is one of those behind-the-scenes newsmakers who are continually bringing people closer together with improved communications methods. Marx told sponsor that one of the newest developments at ABC is a way of storing video programs that will overcome the problem of summer time zone differences. The apparatus, an unspecified film system, will be located in Chicago. It will be the focal point for delayed feeds to standard time zones between April and October. The set-up, still in construction, will be shown to the NARTB in April.

Grahame Euthoven, BBDO's supervisor of marketing staff presentations, moved into a freshly created position last November. Previously, the marketing research of which he is now in charge, was done by diverse departments at BBDO without a central coordinator. The trend toward supplying marketing services to advertisers, however, demanded that the work be consolidated. Enthoven's latest Food Staff Presentation, No. 19, revealed pertinent facts and reasons about why most women shop in any one particular grocery store. It's another report that will help make tomorrow's sales news.

Lester N. Blumenthal has been named executive v.p. and general manager of Product Services, Inc., New York ad agency. His rise in the ad agency field has been rapid since he was made account executive in the television network sales department at CBS. After his stint with CBS he joined Norman, Craig & Kummel as assistant to the business manager, and became v.p. and general manager of radio and tv before making his current move. Product Services bill 5 million dollars annually and includes among its clients Roto Broil Corporation of America and Glamorene, Inc.

Russell Nagle. has been elected a vice-president of Foote, Cone & Belding. Nagle has been with the agency's Los Angeles office for three years. During this time, in addition to his duties as account executive for Purex Corporation, he served as merchandising consultant on many Los Angeles accounts. His background in the field of merchandising includes the positions of merchandising director and vice president of Erwin, Wasey & Co., in its Chicago and Los Angeles offices. He was also central division manager of Life Magazine's merchandising department.



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"Milestones" for April

BMI's series of program continuities, entitled "Mile-stones," focuses the spot-light on important events and problems which have shaped the American scene. April's release features four complete half-hour shows-ready for immediate use - smooth, well written scripts for a variety of uses.

"EASTER'S FOR ALL OF US" Easter Sunday
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"I WAS BORN A SLAVE . . ."
Booker T. Washington
(100th Anniversary) Born: April 5, 1856
"MIDNIGHT RIDE OF PAUL
REVERE"
April 18, 1775

"ALL THE WORLD'S A STAGE"
William Shakespeare Born: April 23, 1564

"Milestones" is available commercial sponsorship—see local stations for details.

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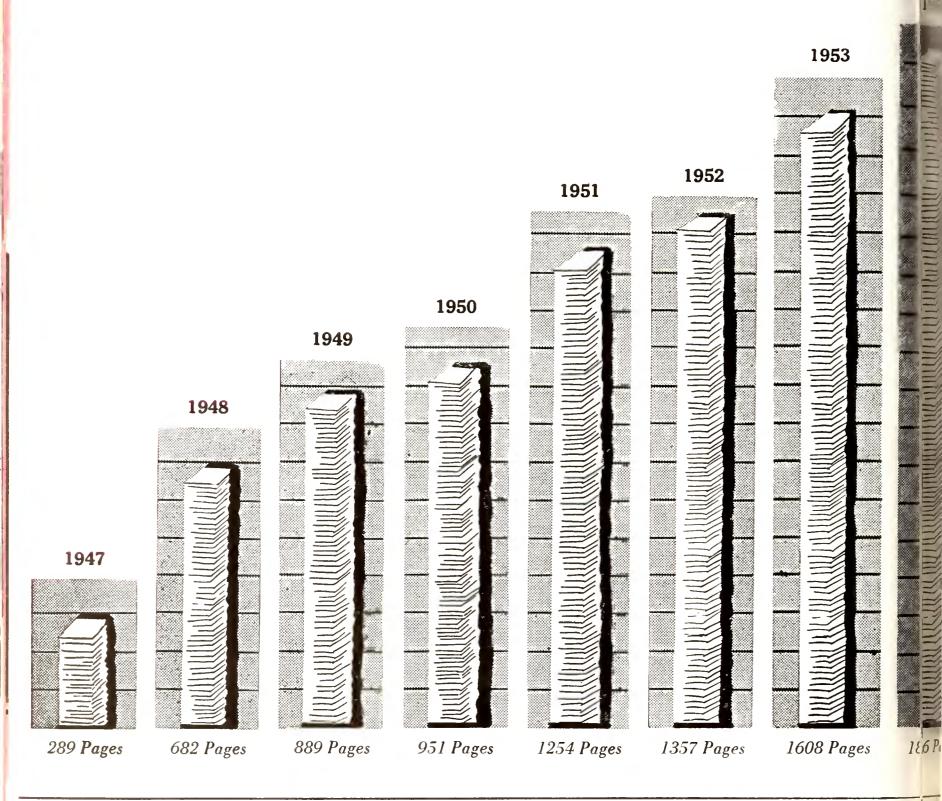
Merle Harmon-Larry Ray team up to bring play-by-play accounts of the K. C. Athletics baseball games to the Heart of America. Another exclusive New Sound of KMBC-KFRM.

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KMBC-KFRM



Through its first nine years SPONSOR (which celebrates its tenth birthday in November 1956) has 1, stuck everlastingly to the job of providing a use service for national advertisers and agencies; 2, crusaded for worthwhile industry improvements; 3, established new sales records each year. It has frequently been called the most successful new trade magazine of this decade.



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here is proof positive!

based on figures just released Pulse dated Dec. 1—Dec. 7, 1955 proves audience preferences in the metropolitian Wichita Falls area to be:

ONCE A WEEK SHOWS

- 1. \$64,000 Question (CBS) **KSYD-TV**
- 2. Ed Sullivan (CBS) KSYD-TV
- 3. I Love Lucy (CBS) KSYD-TV
- 4. December Bride (CBS) KSYD-TV
- 5. Jack Benny (CBS) KSYD-TV

big 5 of the top 5 all on KSYD-TV

MULTI-WEEKLY SHOWS

- 1. Patti Page KSYD-TV
- 2. Looney Tunes KSYD-TV
- 3. 10 p.m. News & Weather KYSD-TV
- 4. 5:45 p.m. News & Weather KSYD-TV
- 5. Station B
- 4 of the top 5 on KSYD-TV

*The leading corrier of National Spot business in the Wichita Falls market according to Rarabough Reports



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NBC TV says no to Medic

NBC TV brass held up stop sign to "Medic's" offering last week showing birth of baby by Caesarian section. Net wanted to delete 90seconds of program on claim it was not for "family consumption." "Medic" said no soap. After long hassle, program was substituted.

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Are there ideal surveys? In recent brochure Trendex says there are no "ideal" surveys. Trendex claims there are only reasonable ones, pretentious and unpretentious ones, practical ones and impractical ones. Brochure also makes pitch for reliability of overnight ratings, saying they are not as accurate as monthly ones. "Truth is truth whether you examine it early or late, " says Trendex.

Nat'l spot answer to no net time?

MCA TV's research department says that based on survey of 2 national spot shows as against average half-hour network show, national spot shows come out with approximately same rating as network program. Two spot shows measured are "Soldiers of Fortune" and "Studio 57." "Soldiers" averaged 22.6, "Studio," 22.3. Average web show came up with 22.5 (Nielsen, 1 January). Question of programing on spot basis as against lack of prime network time was raised once again by survey.

lose sales?

Tv commercials Walter Guild, Guild, Bascom & Bonfigli, San Francisco, turned his critical guns on tv commercials recently to target their inadequacies. He claimed some tv commercials actually destroy sales rather than build them, citing case of Philip Morris and "I love Lucy." Guild advocated using shows that may be less popular—"those that do not have the viewer hanging by the eyelashes"—to provide a better "framework" for commercials. (For more thinking on commercials see "Should show costs outweigh commercials 20 to 1?" page 29 this issue.) -SR-

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clobal fact sheet

Pan Am issues Pan American Broadcasting Co., international tv-radio reps, has issued first in series of international fact reports containing information on world markets. First market picture for Puerto Rico.

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Film aiding tv stations

Southeastern station manager with basic ABC TV affiliation told SPONSOR this when questioned as to how he was doing against other nets, "I think it's wonderful. They battle over times and talent and I sit back and program syndicated films and good movies. And I read with delight that RKO, Warners and Columbia are opening film vaults. I got time, money. They have film. I should have had it so good a couple of years ago."

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1,000,000 listen daily

One of most unusual media surveys conducted in Canada involving personal interviews with more than 82,000 persons from coast-to-coast showed station CKAC, Montreal, had more than 1,000,000 listeners daily. Market research firm of Elliot-Haynes Ltd. conducted survey.

New word for adman's lexicon

Grey Advertising's "Grey Matter" comes up with this addition to ad world's vocabulary. It's "thematic," word for joint promotions, or as Grey puts it, to "unite in advertising wedlock seemingly unrelated products." Example is recent anti-freeze campaign advertised jointly by McGregor for winter sportswear and Dupont for nylon and Zerone. "Grey Matter" predicts "thematic" merging will increase.



Radio isn't "tonnage"

Can a great strength of an advertising medium become a great weakness?

We think the answer is yes in the case of radio and it's radio's own salesmen who are to blame.

Radio in recent years has been selling hard on the concept that you can do other things while you listen to radio. This is true. It is also a great strength of the medium because it means people do not have to find time to listen to radio. It can be an accompaniment to driving, eating, chores.

But out of this virtue many radio salesmen have created a monster which in the end may devour them. They have begun to sell radio not as a medium which is listened to but as a backdrop, a "third ear" medium.

This tends to reduce all radio to the same level and opens the way to the purchase of the medium on a "tonnage" basis with little thought given to the selection of programing or adjacencies. It makes buying radio not

a matter of judgment but a mere process of cost-per-1,000 calculation with all purchases measured on the same numerical scale.

This is not only bad buying it is also false thinking.

Actually most forms of radio demand attention but because of the ease with which that attention can be given people have fallen into the trap of assuming the attention is virtually subconscious. News surely demands, and gets. keen attention.

The woman's commentator cannot transmit the intricacies of a new fashion to the "third ear."

Drama absorbs you or you twist the dial.

And even the disk jockey must get much closer attention than is commonly supposed. What other reason could there be for the great popularity of one d.j. as opposed to another?

We say that radio's power to move goods must not be judged on a "tonnage" basis in which the advertiser merely casts his net as wide and as far as cheap circulation will carry him. The advertiser must plan for the type of audience he wants and plan the type of message for that audience carefully.

He must realize that there is a difference in advertising values between the various types of radio and he must be prepared to pay accordingly.

This point of view radio's salesmen have not sold. They have made the low cost of the medium their crutch. They just sell tonnage. Can you blame the advertiser if he follows suit?

Lee's fee tv plan

On the surface the proposal made

recently by FCC Commissioner Rober E. Lee in favor of fee tv may sound attractive.

If we understand Commissione Lee's article in a recent issue of Look he suggests that fee to be given a tria on a basis restricting it to the unstation. Lee points to the plight of the other broadcaster and suggests that fee to "could be a boon to the independent station" (his italics).

We sympathize deeply with the unstation. And we do not know what car be done to solve the problems of ulif But we doubt that using the uhf problem as the entering wedge for fee to is going to in the long run serve the best interests of the American public

If fee tv were introduced on any basis, what would happen is simply this. Because of the vast amount of money which could be collected even on a fee tv show with a small audience, fee tv would quickly outbid free tv for the best programing.

Programs will flock to where the money is with the net result that the public will end up paying for what it now gets at no cost. If just a few million homes in the U.S. paid \$1 each to see a top sporting event, this would be sufficient to deny the privilege of viewing the event to the rest of the nation's 35-million-plus tv homes.

We believe that the present system of free television is far more democratic and a far greater public service. We further warn that the danger of fee to to free to is not really fully understood. It could literally cripple free to as an effective advertising force by outbidding it for the best in programing.

Applause

Richard III

It's funny how some thoughts will strike you.

When we turned off the tv set after watching NBC TV's "Richard III," we paused just a moment to concern ourselves with the magnitude of the presentation. It wasn't that more people had seen "Richard III" on tv than had witnessed all the stage productions since Shakespeare's time: that between 40 and 50 million people had been ex-

posed to a superbly done classic; that this was a test of a sort as to whether a premiere showing on tv would kill the attraction at the theater box-office. Our thoughts took a different path.

We thought of the courage of NBC TV (and General Motors) for presenting something of such monumental scope, thought of the chance-taking, thought of the question mark of public acceptance.

We thought about all the people in

television who are trying each day to make it a better medium, make it take in more of life, make it an integral part of our culture.

It sounds just a little weak to say that SPONSOR applauds them. Better to say we thank them for that rainy Sunday when they brought "Richard II" in all its shining glory to Mamaroneck. to Chicago, to Oklahoma City, to Denver, to San Francisco and made life a richer thing.

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